QUICK REFERENCE PLANTING GUIDE

LIGHT/SUN EXPOSURE	Full to part sun.
USDA HARDINESS ZONES	Winter hardy in zones 9-11. In zones 3-8, we recommend planting in a container and enjoying your plant as a houseplant.
PLANT TYPE	Annual/Tropical.
PLANTING DISTANCE IN-GROUND	At least 4 inches apart.
CONTAINER SIZE	One plant per 6-inch or larger container.
MATURE HEIGHT / SPREAD	4 to 6 inches tall with a similar spread.
TIME TO REACH MATURITY	12 months.
FACTS OF NOTE	A unique carnivorous plant. Great for decorative containers. Easy to grow indoors.

Thank you for your order!

PLANT WARRANTY

We warrant perennials for 1 year and annuals for 90 days from the time of the original shipment. If for any reason you are dissatisfied, we will replace your plant with a similar or comparable one, at no charge. If your replacement is not available or it is too late in the season to ship, it will reship the following shipping season.

If you have any questions or concerns about your order, please contact us at 888-593-3644 or help@cottagefarmsdirect.com.

Caution: Do not assume any plant is safe to eat. Only parts of plants expressly grown to be eaten should be considered edible. As with any product that is not food, care should be taken to make sure that small children and pets do not ingest any part of a plant that is not expressly grown to be eaten.

<u>Unless specifically stated, this product is</u> <u>intended for ornamental horticultural use</u> <u>only and is not intended for consumption</u> <u>or ingestion by humans or pets.</u> Most plants are harmless but some contain toxic substances which can cause adverse health effects. Furthermore, some individuals and some animals are sensitive or allergic to certain plants and precautions should be taken to limit or avoid physical contact with particular plants. Some plants have thorns or spines that can be painful if handled.

In case of ingestion contact a poison control center immediately. 1-800-222-1222

VENUS FLY TRAP



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OUT OF THE BOX

VENUS FLY TRAP

Your plant has been shipped to you in a pot. Please remove it from the packaging right away and plant as soon as possible following the planting instructions below. If it is not possible to plant it right away, follow these important steps:

1. Roll the plastic down around the plant and place it in a sunny location.

2. Keep the plant well watered.

Note: Some leaves may appear wilted or yellow upon arrival. This is due to the stress of shipping and is nothing to worry about. Water the plant and let it recover in a shady location for a few days, then gently remove any foliage that does not recover to allow for new growth.



SHIPPED AS SHOWN

SOIL PREPARATION

Venus Fly Traps perform best in a well-drained, acidic, nutrient-poor soil. Plant in a blend of horticultural sand and peat moss mixed at a 1:1 ratio. A small amount of gravel or perlite can be added to the mix to improve drainage. Do not plant Venus Fly Traps in regular potting soil or compost, and do not add any fertilizers to the soil blend.

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Important: Thoroughly hydrate the plant by submersing the root zone in a container of water for 10 minutes while you prepare for planting. We strongly recommend planting in a container in order to properly protect your plant from winter damage.

Fill the container with soil to within 4 inches of the top. Remove the pot and prepare the root ball for planting by gently disturbing the surface roots with А your fingers, fork, or gardening tool and pruning any damaged roots. Dig a hole in the soil to insert the lower part of the root ball. Once the plant is properly positioned in the pot, begin filling the pot with soil. Work the soil around В the root ball with your hands, firming the soil around the plant with your fingers. When the hole is filled, tamp the soil to remove any air pockets. Water well and, if necessary, adjust the plant so it is upright and add additional soil if needed, Check to be sure the plant is not planted too deeply. If it is, raise the plant carefully and re-firm the soil.



CONTINUING CARE

Dead, damaged, or unsightly growth can be removed as needed to maintain an attractive appearance.

CONTINUING CARE (Continued)

Adequate and consistent watering is essential for your plants. Infrequent, long soakings of water that thoroughly saturate the soil are more effective than frequent, light applications of water.

NATERING

GROWING INDOORS

WINTER CARE

Do not allow the soil to dry out completely between waterings. Water thoroughly until the soil is wellsaturated and excess water drains out of the drainage holes at the bottom of the container. Never allow the plant to sit in a saucer of water. Pots may be kept in saucers after any excess water has drained from the pot. Venus Fly Traps make excellent year-round houseplants. Keep your plant in a room with a sunny window and temperatures between 65-75°F. Venus Fly Traps enter dormancy during the winter months. During this time, keep the plant in a cool

area where the temperature stays between 32-55°F.

Water sparingly over the winter, then move the

plants back into a warm, sunny area in spring.