

'Painted Leaf Begonia'

Begonia rex

Begonia rex is grown for its colourful, textured foliage. There are many different varieties, with varying leaf sizes, shapes and colours. Small, insignificant flowers may appear in spring. Begonia rex is the ideal plant for a terrarium or cloche, due to its love of high humidity. Dry, brittle leaves are a symptom of dry air.

Sunlight: Bright light, but no direct sun, which can scorch the leaves. Thrives under fluorescent light.

Water: Keep soil evenly moist. Don't leave it sat in water, as the roots can rot in soggy soil.

Humidity: High humidity. Place your Begonia on a tray of wet pebbles, or use a room humidifier. Do not mist because this can cause spots to form on leaves.

Temperature: Average room temperatures 65-75°F/18-24°C.

Feed: Feed once a month in spring and summer with a balanced liquid fertilizer, such as Baby Bio.

Repotting: Repot using quick draining compost in a pot 2 - 3 inches wider than the root ball.

Top Tip: Bright light or fluorescent light will help Begonia rex keep its colour and variegation.

Sunlight



Water



Humidity



Quick Guide

