

# Care Leaflet Sarracenia North American Pitcher Plant

## Sarracenia (North American Pitcher Plant) - Care Leaflet

### Summer

- > Full, direct sunshine, in- or outdoors
- > Rainwater only, sit in water (in a deep saucer)
- > You cannot overwater the plant in summer

**Feeding:** we have never found this to be necessary, as the plants only require a few insects per year to survive. If you are worried, stick the plant outside on a sunny day and watch it go to work

### Winter

- > We recommend a cool, airy, light area, between -10 °C to 10 °C. A cold greenhouse, conservatory or polytunnel will protect the plants, so they will re-emerge quicker in spring.
- > The plants will have a dormancy period, which can vary from just a few leaves browning/crisping, to everything dying back - remove all brown bits (It is ok if you only have stalks going through winter). Some plants produce non carnivorous winter leaves.
- > During dormancy, the main risk to the plant is rotting caused by fungal diseases, usually a result of overwatering. Reduce watering, keeping the plant damp, but never let them dry out completely. This is not usually an issue if the plant is outdoors.

**Rainwater alternatives:** distilled, de-ionised, reverse osmosis water

**Repotting:** When the plant is bursting out of it's pot, in a specific peat and perlite mixture or specialist peat free mix (both available from our online shop). Best time for repotting and splitting (if you want) is early spring.

We highly recommend you research your plants on the internet for more detailed information, or **browse our website.**