

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 reemerge 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 its pot, in a specific peat and perlite mixture or specialist peat free mix (both available from our on line shop). Best time for repotting and splitting (if you want) is early spring Seeds: Keep refrigerated, sow from January onwards in cold greenhouse, on top of the peat/perlite mixture, do not cover, sit in rainwater in full sun

We highly recommend you research your plants on the internet for more detailed information, or look on:

www.wackswickedplants.co.uk