

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHAT SIZE OF CONTAINER(S) IS BEST?

You may transplant into larger 6 to 8 inch container. Place a little deeper than before. Pack soil firmly around the base and roots enough so that the plant stands upright. You may repot one pot size a year up to a 12 inch container. The bigger the pot the bigger they grow and the bigger the braids.

CAN THEY BE GROWN INSIDE YEAR ROUND?

Yes. They like indirect light or diffused light. You may place outside in summer but is not necessary. Bear in mind they do like some artificial light nearby or some natural indirect light to properly grow. If too dark, the leaves will become limp and pale green. Too much direct sun and the leaves will burn.

IS THERE ANY GOOD PEST PREVENTION?

Year round houseplants are notorious for spider mites that are not seen with the naked eye easily. Monthly misting with a solution of soapy water will insure glossy pest free leaves. Mix one half teaspoon of standard liquid dish soap in quart spray bottle of water, shake, and mist the plant profusely on both sides of leaves. This will suffocate any small pests.

THE TOP GROWTH IS TOO LARGE AND FLOPPY?

Cut away old leaves that yellow as the plant grows taller. This is normal growth patterns as the plant grows taller. If your plant gets too much heavy foliage at the top, you may cut back to encourage new firmer growth. Do so in the spring. Cut about two inches below the last set of leaves on any or all of the braids. You will be cutting into the woody area. Your plant will begin to grow an entire new set of leaves.

HOW CAN YOU MAKE THE BRAIDS OR TRUNK THICKER?

Pruning them hard sends the energy into the trunk zone. Prune all of the leaves off. Cut about two inches below the last set of leaves on any or all of the braids. You will be cutting into the woody area. Your plant will begin to grow an entire new set of leaves. Give it a bigger pot and water.

Thank you for your order!

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PLANTING AND GROWING GUIDE



Living Money Tree
(Pachira aquatica)

FIRST THINGS FIRST...

When your plant arrives from Roberta's, remove from the shipping box immediately.

Remove plastic bag and sleeve from around potted plant(s). Discard any packing material clinging to the leaves or soil. Pull away any yellow or brown leaves that may have occurred during transit. If you can not plant it into garden or larger pot within a few days, make sure it stays well watered.

When ready to plant, do the job as early in the day as possible to avoid extreme soil temperatures that prevent proper water uptake from the roots. Water them in well and whisper a few words of wisdom.



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QUICK REFERENCE PLANTING GUIDE

LIGHT/SUN EXPOSURE:	Partial or diffused
USDA HARDINESS ZONES:	9-11
PLANTING DISTANCE:	12-18 inches
MATURE HEIGHT/SPREAD:	2-4 feet / 15-24 inches
BLOOM TIME:	Foliage Only
PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS: (soil preparation, depth, which end is up, etc.)	Unpack your plants immediately removing any packing materials. Do not remove the twist tie that holds the braids together. Cut away any yellow or brown leaves or broken stems that may have occurred. You may transplant into larger 6-8 inch container. Pack soil firmly around the base and roots. Water again.

PLANTING GUIDE

1
STEP

Unpack your plants immediately removing any packing material. Do not remove the twist tie that holds the braids together. Cut away any yellow or brown leaves or broken stems that may have occurred. This grooming is completely normal and will take place as the plant grows. Water the plant(s) thoroughly letting the excess drain through.

2
STEP

You may transplant into larger 6 -8 inch container. Place a little deeper than before. Pack soil firmly around the base and roots enough so that the plant stands upright. Water again. Repeat watering every two weeks.

3
STEP

Place in a bright, indirect lighted window in the home or outside if temperatures stay above 50 degrees.

4
STEP

If placed outside in the summer, bring them back in before the first frost.

The bigger the pot the bigger they grow and the bigger the braids.

CONTINUING CARE

NATURE ATTRACTION

The Living Money Tree plays an important role in Asian cultures. Symbolizing good fortune, it is a favorite in times of celebration and business undertakings. It is the first choice of Feng Shui (pronounced fung schway) Masters for filling a home or business with positive Chi energy.

KEY TIPS

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PLANT PREPARATION

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SHELF LIFE

Unpack immediately. Water the plants thoroughly letting the excess water drain through the bottom of the pot(s).

POTTED PLANTS

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DRAINAGE

Water the plants thoroughly letting the excess water drain through the bottom of the pot leaving nothing inside the drip dish below the pot.

GARDEN PREPARATION

This is not recommended to be planted in the garden.

SOIL

They prefer bagged potting mixes for houseplants that will drain well. Most garden centers carry various brand names with perlite, vermiculite, soil and sand.

TRANSPLANTING

This is not necessary. You may do so gradually every year if you desire a bigger plant. They will stay small in a six inch pot or grow 4 feet tall in a twelve inch pot in just a few years.

PLANT HEIGHT

The bigger the pot the bigger they grow and the bigger the braids. These will grow about 1 foot per year up to 6 feet tall.

WATER

They like it on the dry side watering every 2 weeks with thorough watering. Too much water causes pale green leaves.

FERTILIZER

If you wish to encourage extremely fast growth, add a well balanced fertilizer to the water once a month. Hawaiian Flower Magic (M7503) works great as it contains no salts, dyes, or chlorines that burn roots.

LIGHTING

Partial sun or diffused light is best. Too much sun will burn your leaves.

TEMPERATURE ZONE 9 -11

When nights stay above 55 degrees, you can place your plants outside and leave them there all summer. Otherwise you may leave them in the home year round.

GROOMING

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WINTER CARE

Plants slow down a little in the winter, though they keep their foliage.

ADDITIONAL REFERENCE



Money Tree Shipped As Shown



6 Month, 1 Year, and 2 Year Old Plants