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Succulent Kokedama

Koke and Twine Succulent Kokedamas are easy to care for however, they still require some love and attention. Follow these steps to ensure your kokedama lives a happy and long life.

Succulents, are plants that have some parts that are more than normally thickened and fleshy, usually to retain water. Succulents are often grown as ornamental plants because of their striking and unusual appearance. Here at Koke and Twine we adore succulents. We know certain types work better than other indoors and we have a selection of those. On the whole the care and watering is simple once you find what works for your succulent kokedamas.

Watering

Although succulents survive in harsh environments often with high temperatures and low rain fall – they still require love and attention. Succulents like any plants require water to thrive. However, they don't like to be watered as frequently as most indoor plants.

Succulents like to have their roots soaked with water but then dry out quickly. Then, watered again after the soil has been dry for a few days. Lightly spraying succulents with water can help them survive for a period of time, but if you really want to thrive, they need to follow the soak and dry method. When you water your succulents, you want to make sure the soil is completely soaked. Succulents expect a drought, and will soak up as much water as they can. Then give your soil a couple days to dry out– and don't water again until the soil is completely dry.

In fact, your succulents will do fine in completely dry soil for a few days, especially if they're larger and have well-established roots. During the drought, they'll put out new roots that are thick and healthy, so they can absorb more water when the flood comes again. Don't water indoor succulents daily. That's the quickest way to kill them.

- Pick up the kokedama and feel the weight and texture.
- If it is light and completely dry place in a bowl of clean water for 5-10 minutes.
- When you take it out you may need to allow the excess water to drain before putting back into position.
- If it is heavy and damp it should be fine to leave for a one-two weeks.
- If it is in-between these leave it and check in another week.

Care

When succulents are indoors it's often hard for them to get enough sunlight. Outdoors they generally need about 6 hours of bright, indirect sunlight each day. However, indoors, you'll want to place your succulents near a window that gets light all day. If this isn't an option, place your succulents near the brightest window or brightest area of your home or office. You'll want to keep your plants as close to the window as you can. In rare cases a succulent can actually get sunburned if the light from the window gets too hot. This tends to happen most with north facing windows in the summer. Most of the time this isn't an issue though. If your succulents aren't getting enough light you'll notice they will stretch. They spread out their leaves and bend toward the light to get as much exposure as possible. Stretched out leaves is a common fate for most colourful succulents, such as Echeverias, that are grown indoors. Eventually the lower leaves of succulents are going to shrivel up and die as long as these are the leaves closest to the ball – this is completely normal. Simply, pick them off gently with your fingers.