East Bay Nursery

Creeping Fig

Ficus pumila



Creeping Fig foliage
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 8 feet

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: ◐ ●

Hardiness Zone: 7b

Description:

This variety is a vigorous climber that will scale any porous surface; it will quickly cover surfaces upwards of 50 feet; may be maintained on indoor trellises in bright areas

Features & Attributes

Creeping Fig's attractive heart-shaped leaves emerge light green, turning dark green in color throughout the year on a plant with a spreading habit of growth.

This is a multi-stemmed evergreen houseplant with a spreading, ground-hugging habit of growth. This plant can be pruned at any time to keep it looking its best.

Planting & Growing

When grown indoors, Creeping Fig can be expected to grow to be about 8 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 feet. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 50 years. This houseplant performs well in both bright or indirect sunlight and strong artificial light, and can therefore be situated in almost any well-lit room or location. It does best in average to evenly moist soil, but will not tolerate standing water. The surface of the soil shouldn't be allowed to dry out completely, and so you should expect to water this plant once and possibly even twice each week. Be aware that your particular watering schedule may vary depending on its location in the room, the pot size, plant size and other conditions; if in doubt, ask one of our experts in the store for advice. It is not particular as to soil type or pH; an average potting soil should work just fine.

There are many factors that will affect the ultimate height, spread and overall performance of a plant when grown indoors; among them, the size of the pot it's growing in, the amount of light it receives, watering frequency, the pruning regimen and repotting schedule. Use the information described here as a guideline only; individual performance can and will vary. Please contact the store to speak with one of our experts if you are interested in further details concerning recommendations on pot size, watering, pruning, repotting, etc.