

Cultural Information- Aloinopsis

(al-low-in-OP-sis)

Hardy to Zone 10 and higher for outdoors.
Full sun, grows to 1/2 - 1" in container minimum temperature 45°, blooms in winter and spring.

<u>Light:</u>	Full sun, a southern exposure.
<u>Temperature:</u>	Maintain indoor temperatures above 60°.
<u>Humidity:</u>	They will tolerate low levels of humidity with no harm, even preferring dryness to humid, damp conditions.
<u>Watering:</u>	Bring soil to a state of visual dryness between watering. Important: grow them dry. When watering, thoroughly saturate the soil until a little water runs out of the bottom of the pot. Grow in a clay pot to ensure a quick dry down between watering. They prefer a little more moisture in the summer and less in the winter.
<u>Fertilizer:</u>	They are light feeders so ¼ tsp of fertilizer per gallon of water once a month is adequate. Use a balanced fertilizer like a 15-15-15 or a blooming fertilizer like Dyna-Gro Liquid Grow Plant Food 7-9-5. Discontinue feeding in the winter.
<u>Pruning:</u>	Plant does not need pruning and only very old plants need to be divided.
<u>Insects and Disease:</u>	Aloinopsis have few problems with insects. They are, however, susceptible to bacteria and fungal rots, especially during the winter months under excessive soil moisture and cool conditions. Growing them dry eliminates the problem.
<u>Comments:</u>	Aloinopsis are easy plants to grow, loving sun and dry conditions. Remember to treat them with a little neglect.

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