

Cultural Information – Dionaea

(dy-OH-nee-uh)

Hardy to Zone 8 and higher for outdoors.

Full sun, grows 1" in container, minimum temperature 35°, needs cool night temperatures during the winter between 35° and 45°, no significant bloom.

<u>Light:</u>	Full sun, a southern exposure.
<u>Temperature:</u>	Maintain a minimum temperature of 35°. They prefer cool night temperatures for two months during the winter to induce a dormant period. Night temperatures in the high 30's to low 40's are ideal. A cool, neglected windowsill is perfect. During active growth, we keep them warm, above 60°, which speeds up growth.
<u>Humidity:</u>	Preferably 50% or higher; however, as they grow in water, humidity is not usually a concern.
<u>Watering:</u>	They are bog plants and need to be kept moist at all times. <u>It's best to grow them in a saucer of water.</u> Also, using non-chlorinated water will improve their growth. Periodically change the water in the saucer to ensure consistent purity.
<u>Fertilizer:</u>	No fertilizer as they prefer low fertility. Too much will harm them!
<u>Pruning:</u>	No pruning is necessary.
<u>Insects and Disease:</u>	For the most part, insects or diseases do not bother them.
<u>Comments</u>	Keep them wet with pure, clean water for best growth. Feeding them flies or hamburger is not necessary and will cause the traps to die.

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