

Cultural Information – Scutellaria
(skew-teh-LARE-ee)

<u>Light:</u>	Full sun, a southern exposure.
<u>Temperature:</u>	Maintain indoor temperatures above 60°.
<u>Humidity:</u>	Preferably 50% or higher; however, they will tolerate low levels with no harm.
<u>Watering:</u>	Bring soil to a state of visual dryness between watering. When watering, thoroughly saturate soil until a little water runs out of the bottom of the pot. Growing in a clay pot will help maintain a healthy root system.
<u>Fertilizer:</u>	Apply weekly or bi-monthly. Under high light, they can use moderate amounts of fertilizer. Feed with ½ tsp of fertilizer per gallon of water. Use a balanced fertilizer like a 15-15-15 or a blooming fertilizer like a 7-9-5.
<u>Pruning:</u>	Prune anytime the growth is excessive. They take well to a hard pruning, which in time encourages a fuller plant.
<u>Insects and Disease:</u>	They are susceptible to spider mite, aphids and whitefly.
<u>Comments</u>	Scutellaria are fast growing plants that need attention given to both watering and fertilizer for best growth and flowering. If blooming stops, check the light level. An increased light level will usually increase blooming.