

Cultural Information – Rhipsalidopsis
(rip-SAL-ih-dop-sis)

<u>Light:</u>	Partial sun or shade, an eastern, western or northern exposure.
<u>Temperature:</u>	Maintain indoor temperatures above 35°. Flowering is induced by cool night temperatures (35 to 55 degrees) and the shortened daylight of winter.
<u>Humidity:</u>	As they are succulents, humidity is not an issue.
<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. They will tolerate periods of extended dryness with ease. Growing in a clay pot will help maintain a healthy root system.
<u>Fertilizer:</u>	Fertilize once every two weeks 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 after flowering if needed.
<u>Insects and Disease:</u>	They do have susceptibility to mealy bugs and under damp conditions fungus can be a problem.