

Cultural Information – Stromanthe
 (stroh-MAN-thee)

<u>Light:</u>	Full or partial sun, a southern, eastern or western exposure.
<u>Temperature:</u>	Maintain indoor temperatures above 40°.
<u>Humidity:</u>	As a general rule, keep relative humidity above 50%.
<u>Watering:</u>	Optimum watering is to bring potting mix to a slight state of dryness between waterings. Be careful not to put plants into a wilt. It's better to kept plants evenly moist than risk damaging them.
<u>Fertilizer:</u>	Low levels of fertilizer. As they are low light plants they need only occasional feeding. Once a month with a dilute fertilizer no higher than 15-15-15 is sufficient.
<u>Pruning:</u>	Older leaves can be removed as needed. Old plants can be divided once pot becomes too crowded.
<u>Insects and Disease:</u>	Few problems with insects or diseases.
<u>Comments</u>	Stromanthe are great indoor plants for low light areas. They are used for interior plantscaping because of their tolerance to low light. The only issue they face is intolerance to dry soil. Plants that go in to a wilted or shriveled state don't come out of it very quickly or not at all.