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Bettina Rothschild Begonia

Begonia rex 'Bettina Rothschild'



Bettina Rothschild Begonia in bloom
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Height: 3 feet

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: ◐ ●

Hardiness Zone: 9b

Description:

An outstanding begonia with lovely deep green and crimson leaves for an excellent visual impact; white blooms with hints of shell pink are produced throughout the season; requires some humidity, mist frequently in dry indoor environments

Features & Attributes

Bettina Rothschild Begonia features dainty clusters of fragrant white star-shaped flowers with shell pink overtones and gold centers at the ends of the branches from mid spring to mid fall. Its attractive crinkled oval leaves remain dark green in color with distinctive crimson veins throughout the year.

This is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen houseplant with a more or less rounded form. This plant may benefit from an occasional pruning to look its best.

Planting & Growing

When grown indoors, Bettina Rothschild Begonia can be expected to grow to be about 3 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 20 years. This houseplant performs well in both bright or indirect sunlight and strong artificial light, and can therefore be situated in almost any well-lit room or location. It does best in average to evenly moist soil, but will not tolerate standing water. The surface of the soil shouldn't be allowed to dry out completely, and so you should expect to water this plant once and possibly even twice each week. Be aware that your particular watering schedule may vary depending on its location in the room, the pot size, plant size and other conditions; if in doubt, ask one of our experts in the store for advice. It is particular about its soil conditions, with a strong preference for rich, acidic soil. Contact the store for specific recommendations on pre-mixed potting soil for this plant.

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There are many factors that will affect the ultimate height, spread and overall performance of a plant when grown indoors; among them, the size of the pot it's growing in, the amount of light it receives, watering frequency, the pruning regimen and repotting schedule. Use the information described here as a guideline only; individual performance can and will vary. Please contact the store to speak with one of our experts if you are interested in further details concerning recommendations on pot size, watering, pruning, repotting, etc.

-- THIS IS A HOUSEPLANT AND IS NOT MEANT TO SURVIVE THE WINTER OUTDOORS IN OUR CLIMATE --