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Quito Peperomia

Peperomia caperata 'Quito'



Quito Peperomia in full
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Plant Height: 6 inches

Flower Height: 8 inches

Spread: 8 inches

Sunlight: ◐

Hardiness Zone: 10

Description:

This stunning plant produces intricate, corrugated, heart shaped leaves in hues of oranges, pinks and bronzes; interesting slender flower stalks in summer; will retain color when grown in partial sun or bright indoors light; prefers humid environments

Features & Attributes

Quito Peperomia's attractive crinkled heart-shaped leaves remain orange in color with showy rose variegation and tinges of coppery-bronze throughout the year on a plant with a round habit of growth. It features unusual spikes of white flowers from early to mid summer.

This is an herbaceous evergreen houseplant with a more or less rounded form. This plant should not require much pruning, except when necessary to keep it looking its best.

Planting & Growing

When grown indoors, Quito Peperomia can be expected to grow to be only 6 inches tall at maturity extending to 8 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 8 inches. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 5 years. This houseplant should be situated in a location that that gets indirect sunlight at most, although it will usually require a more brightly-lit environment than what artificial indoor lighting alone can provide. 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 will benefit from a regular feeding with a general-purpose fertilizer with every second or third watering. It is not particular as to soil type, but has a definite preference for 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 --