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Botanical Name: Monstera deliciosa
Common Names: Swiss Chesse Plant,
Native: No
Foliage Type: Evergreen
Plant Type: Indoor Plants, Palms, Ferns & Tropical, Shrubs
Plant Habit: Climbing / Twining, Epiphytic, Upright

Description:

The Swiss Cheese or Fruit Salad plant as it is commonly referred to, is one of the most popular indoor plants at the moment. Outdoors, it is a large climber with huge glossy, deeply lobed green leaves that bring a tropical feel to the garden. It produces corn-cob shaped fruit and a white flower. Perfect for shady positions planted amongst other tropical style plants like Bromeliads and Alocasias. Can grow up to 4m tall if desired, often grown up trees and fences. Indoor plants approx 60-80cm tall.

Mature Height: 2-4m **Position:** Semi Shade, Shade

Mature Width: 2-4m **Soil Type:** Loam, Sandy, Well Drained

Landscape Use(s): Borders / Shrubbery, Climber / Creeper, Courtyard, Cut Flower, Feature, Foliage Feature / Colour, Indoor Plant, Shady Garden, Tropical Garden, Container / Pot, Under Trees

Pest & Diseases:

Aphids, Mealy Bugs, Mites, Scale, Thrips

Cultural Notes:

Water well in the warmer months and remove old leaves. Prefers well drained, slightly acidic soil with plenty of compost. Once established, the Monstera requires little attention. Caution: All parts of this plant are poisonous except the fruit.

Plant Care:

Annual slow release fertiliser, Keep moist during dry periods, Liquid feed, Mulch well

Family Name: Araceae
Origin: NorthAmerica

Characteristics:

Foliage Colours: Green
Flower Colours: Green, White
Flower Fragrant: No
Flowering Season: Summer
Fruit: Yes

Requirements:

Growth Rate: Moderate
Maintenance Level: Low
Water Usage: Medium / Moderate

Tolerances:

Drought: Medium / Moderate
Frost: Tender
Wind: Tender

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