HEARTS ON A STRING

Ceropegia linearis subsp. woodii You are going to fall in love with this little plant, dripping with baby heart-shaped leaves. The silver-dusted foliage runs along the length of its trailing branches, giving it a restful quality like a gentle waterfall. It's also easy to care for, so a great plant for gaining a sense of achievement.

> "I'm a living mobile of cascading leaves"

Help me thrive

POSITION Tolerant of different light levels but likes bright conditions best and is happy with some morning and/or evening sun. Keep above 10°C (50°F).

GROWTH RATE Can grow quickly and will look impressive after 3 to 5 years with 1m (3¹/₄ft) stems. No need to prune unless it gets too big or untidy.

POTTING Use a free-draining compost (even cacti or succulent mixes are suitable) and don't plant in too big a pot, as it does well in crowded pots.

CARE Water when the soil is dry during the growing season – better to be cautious than to overwater. Don't let it sit in water, and keep it drier in winter.

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Let me cheer you up I am known as the sweetheart

vine, due to my romantic heartshaped leaves. If given to a loved one, partner, parent, child, or friend, I will bring joy and remind the recipient of their connection to the one who kindly gifted me.

> My quirky tubular flowers can attract pollinating insects



I do best when crowded, so only repot me when I have run out of growing space. In the meantime, give me an occasional low-nitrogen feed to replenish my nutrients. This means I won't need to be repotted every year – one reason why I'm a great plant for beginners.



Help me feel at home

I have very long trailing foliage of well over 2m (6½ft) in length, so I am perfect for a high shelf in the corner of a room or in an indoor hanging basket, where I can create a feature point.

Look out for my flowers

While my foliage may be the main attraction, I do also bloom with unusual pinky-white flowers, which appear along my stems and can develop into cylindrical fruits.



You can take cuttings from me by snipping off a piece of my vine and placing it into a jar filled with water, so you can see when roots appear. Once they have rooted, plant my babies up in their own pot.





Take a cutting and give it to a loved one as a gift