

PLANTS TO READ ABOUT

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PLANT PORTRAIT

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Botanical classification	Crassula 'Tarantula'
Family	Crassulaceae
Origin	Horticultural Crassula trade form; a specific species placement is not sufficiently confirmed for this offer
Delivery size	12 cm pot · approximately 15 cm total height
Growth and special feature	Compact succulent shoots with opposite elongated grey-green finely hairy leaves

Care at a glance

Observe, check and adapt care to the position and season. This table provides guidance for everyday practice.

Topic	What to do	Why it helps
Light	Very bright; gradually acclimatise to sun.	Abrupt strong radiation may damage leaves.
Water	Let compost dry noticeably between waterings.	Succulent leaves store water.
Watering method	Water compost and remove excess.	Leaf hairs and shoot bases should not remain permanently wet.
Compost	Airy succulent mix with mineral content.	Roots need rapid drainage.
Pot	Repot only slightly larger with drainage.	Excessive wet soil remains unused for a long time.
Winter	Bright, frost-free and correspondingly less watering.	Little growth reduces water consumption.
Hairs	Do not rub off or treat with shine products.	The silvery covering is a natural feature.
Inspection	Check leaf bases for cotton-like pest nests.	Mealybugs may hide between shoots.

Knowledge that grows

The special feature lies on the leaf surface

Elongated grey-green leaves sit in pairs on compact shoots. Fine pale hairs make the surface appear silvery. This natural covering belongs to the plant and is not dust to polish away. Tarantula is traded as a horticultural Crassula form. A particular species is not added here without sufficient confirmation. Belonging to the stonecrop family explains the succulent build: leaves store water and bridge drier periods.

The offered young plant has small proportions

A 12 cm pot and approximately 15 cm total height are stated for the offer. This is a low young plant, not a tall woody shrub. The scene was therefore designed with a low leaf cushion. The coloured cover pot and furnishing serve as styling and are not automatically included. Hold the pot when transporting or moving. Pressure on leaf tips and rubbing the hairs can leave marks that do not simply disappear again.

Keep brightness and change sun exposure gently

A very bright position supports compact growth. Direct sun may suit after gradual acclimatisation; do not suddenly place in hot midday sun after shipping or prolonged shade. Unusually long loose new shoots may indicate insufficient light. A living-area position is possible if enough light actually reaches it. This succulent is less suited to a room's dark depths. Keep as bright as possible and frost-free in winter.

Check first, then supply the whole root ball

Let compost dry noticeably between waterings. Then water onto compost until the root ball is supplied and remove excess from the cover pot. Many small daily sips keep the upper area unnecessarily continuously damp. Hairy leaves need no regular shower. Water markedly less often in cooler conditions and low winter light. Soft translucent leaves combined with wet compost suggest a different problem from slightly reduced firmness with a dry root ball.

Airy roots and restrained nutrients

A free-draining succulent mix with mineral components helps drying. When repotting, provide only moderately more space and choose drainage. A large reserve pot dries slower than the small plant uses water. Sparing feeding following product instructions suffices during active growth. Do not fertilise a bone-dry stressed root ball. If possible, loosen dust with a soft dry brush without rubbing off natural hairs.

Observe without constantly touching

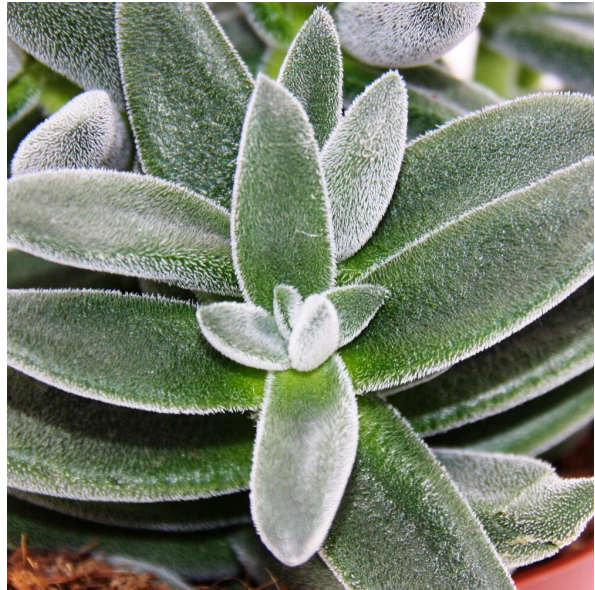
Check shoot forks and leaf bases for mealybugs. Their cotton-like clusters differ from the even fine natural hairs. Initially separate suspicious plants and clarify the cause. Suitable healthy shoot cuttings may propagate after the cut surface dries; the small young plant need not immediately be pruned for this. No flowering or fixed final size is guaranteed. Position the ornamental plant so children and animals do not nibble its leaves.

Pictures and details

Images and descriptions from this portrait. Decorative items are not included in the offer.



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Good to know

Are silvery hairs mould?

An even covering of fine hairs is normal. Irregular cotton-like clusters at shoot forks instead require closer inspection.

Must I spray the leaves?

No. The root ball is decisive for water supply; constantly wet hairy leaves are no care goal.

How large is the offered plant?

A 12 cm pot and approximately 15 cm total height are stated. The scene shows an appropriately low young plant.

Why is it suddenly growing long and loose?

Insufficient light is a possible cause. Check the position and improve brightness gradually.

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