

PLANTS TO READ ABOUT

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PLANT PORTRAIT

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Botanical identification	Echeveria pulidonis
Family	Crassulaceae
Origin	Mexico; the shop’s African origin statement is corrected
Delivery size	5.5 cm pot · approx. 6-8 cm overall height
Growth and distinctive feature	Compact succulent rosette with grey-green fleshy leaves and a narrow dark-red edge

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 and sunny after acclimatisation.	Edge colour and compact form benefit from light.
Water	Let compost dry well between waterings.	Fleshy leaves store moisture for dry pauses.
Pot	Choose free drainage and a suitable small root space.	An oversized wet container dries unfavourably slowly.
Compost	Loose, loosened with mineral ingredients and freely draining.	Roots need air again after watering.
Feed	Use weak doses during active growth.	More nutrients do not replace suitable brightness.
Surface	Handle leaves as little as possible and do not polish.	The natural coating and intact edges stay more attractive.
Winter	Bright, frost-free and almost dry during rest.	Cool cultivation is not the same as frost tolerance.
Checks	Check for mealybugs and soft areas on leaves or the base.	Distinguish damage early from normal ageing of individual leaves.

Knowledge that grows

The red edge reveals leaf arrangement

Echeveria pulidonis belongs to the stonecrop family. Its grey-green fleshy leaves have a narrow dark-red edge and end in a small point. Together, they form a compact rosette. In strong light, the edge colour can appear more intense. Yellow flowers on longer curved stems are possible later. Its natural origins lie in Mexico; the shop's statement of Africa is incorrect for this species. The calm structure suits a small succulent collection in which different leaf forms remain individually recognisable.

A small plant with clear size information

The offer is an approximately two-year-old plant in a 5.5 cm pot, with around 6 to 8 cm overall height. The original photograph shows the rosette and nursery pot together. This small size matters for expectations: a close-up leaf pattern does not turn the plant into a large mature specimen. A small spoon provides a size reference in the scene. Larger rosettes and side offsets may develop over time. A newly purchased small pot initially needs a suitable bright position and an easily monitored water supply.

Build up sunshine gradually

Choose a very bright position and gradually accustom the plant to direct sun. Coloured edges benefit from enough light, but an abrupt move can burn succulent leaves too. In a position that is too dark, growth often becomes more open and stretched. Place the plant close to a suitable natural light source, without pressing it against cold glass. Sheltered outdoor cultivation is possible in summer. Prolonged rain and cold nights do not suit a small pot with a slowly drying root ball.

The pot must dry between waterings

Water only after checking the compost and let it dry well between applications. Then thoroughly water the root area and allow excess to drain. A constantly filled outer pot is unsuitable. Loose succulent compost with mineral ingredients supports this cycle. Do not scatter a few drops over the rosette every day: this keeps the surface moist while inner roots may receive hardly any water. Water much less in winter according to reduced growth. The actual interval depends on temperature, light, pot and compost.

Few interventions preserve the natural appearance

Touch the leaves as rarely as possible and do not use leaf-shine products. A fine natural surface coating may remain. Remove dry lower leaves only if they detach easily; do not break healthy leaves off for symmetry. During active growth, supply a suitable weak-dose fertiliser moderately. Inspect leaf bases for mealybugs and the base for soft areas. A mushy translucent leaf calls for a check of wetness or cold damage. A single old outer leaf slowly drying out can instead be normal leaf turnover.

Support rosette growth and winter rest

In winter, keep bright and reliably frost-free, almost dry during a cool rest, and stop feeding. A cool phase does not mean outdoor hardiness. With new spring growth, cautiously return to stronger supplies. Vigorous daughter rosettes can later be used for propagation, and leaf cuttings are also possible. Choose healthy material and first allow wounded areas to dry. The small starting plant need not be divided immediately. Patience preserves a strong mother rosette whose form, colour and possible flowers can be observed over time.

Pictures and details

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



Original shop photograph: Echeveria pulidonis. 5.5 cm pot · approx. 6–8 cm overall height. Natural variations are possible.

Good to know

Does Echeveria pulidonis come from Africa?

No. The specialist source states Mexico. The different shop origin statement is corrected here.

Are red leaf edges damage?

The narrow dark-red edge is typical of the species. Additional soft or burnt areas need separate assessment.

Can I overwinter it outside with hardy houseleeks?

Frost-free overwintering is intended for this plant. Similar rosettes do not mean equal hardiness.

Must it be watered every week?

No. Check the compost first. Little light and cool cultivation may require much longer dry pauses.

The matching offer

[Plant in the shop](#)

The linked shop is in German. Product details, availability and delivery information are provided in that shop.

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English portrait



Shop offer (in German)