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Botanical name	Hoya linearis
Shop size	12 cm hanging pot · approximately 30–50 cm without hanger
Foliage	Very narrow, elongated and finely hairy
Growth	Trailing with soft, slender shoots
Light	Bright, filtered and without hot midday sun
Flowers	White flowers are possible
Air	Comfortable humidity with some air movement
Temperature	Frost-free; protect from cold draughts

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	Keep the upper pot area bright too.	A solid shelf board may shade new growth.
Water	Water evenly after the upper compost has dried slightly.	Narrow leaves are no reason for prolonged drought.
Drainage	Remove excess water from the hanging cover.	Persistent moisture in a closed container strains the roots.
Air	Avoid dry radiator air and consider room-air conditions.	Constantly wet foliage does not replace suitable humidity.
Compost	Keep loose and well drained.	Roots need an airy, moist foundation.
Fertiliser	Dose moderately during growth.	The slender plant needs no heavy blanket applications.
Handling	Hold the pot and free the shoots.	Fine trailing stems may tear off when pulled.
Winter	Care for it in bright, draught-free conditions; observe water requirements.	Less light and warmth change drying.

Knowledge that grows

A wax plant with a different silhouette

Hoya linearis looks quite different from its round-leaved relatives. Very narrow, elongated leaves sit on soft, slender shoots and together form a fine green curtain. Their slight hairiness gives the foliage a soft effect. For this hanging plant, I like choosing a bright position with quiet surroundings so that the delicate lines remain visible. The offer specifies a twelve-centimetre pot and around thirty to fifty centimetres excluding the hanger. The living-room scene uses this manageable format. Long trailing stems already need clear space, without being turned into an enormous plant curtain for the entire wall.

The brightest part should not be only below

New shoots at the top of the pot need daylight in this hanging plant too. If the container hangs directly beneath a deep shelf board, that area may stay too dark. I therefore look at the upper growth as well as the freely falling shoots. Bright, filtered light suits it well; hot, direct midday sunshine behind glass is blocked or softened. A bathroom can be suitable only if sufficient daylight is actually present. Higher humidity alone does not turn a windowless room into an appropriate plant position. The scene therefore shows a bright room, not a dark decorative niche.

Narrow leaves require steady watering care

Linearis is not treated like every thick-leaved *hoya* simply because it belongs to the same genus. Its narrow foliage is no reason to let the rootball dry out completely for a long time. The upper compost may dry slightly while remaining moisture is checked before watering. I briefly lift the pot and connect its weight with a careful inspection. Requirements may change faster in a warm, bright room than in a cooler winter position. A fixed once-a-week rule easily overlooks that difference. Consistent attention helps more than giving as much water as possible for many days.

A decorative hanging pot must be able to drain

For watering, the nursery pot is taken out of its cover if necessary. Water moistens the rootball and then drains through the holes. Before returning the hanging plant, I check the container for leftover water. When lifting it, the fine shoots are freed so that they are trapped neither beneath the rim nor under the pot. The plant is held by its pot, not pulled by a seemingly strong bundle of trailing stems. A dense curtain in particular initially hides minor damage. Calm handling helps preserve the long lines and ensures the plant does not hang back up with torn-off tips after care.

Airy roots and comfortable room air

Loose, free-draining growing medium keeps the supply manageable. During repotting, the existing rootball is handled gently and offered only slightly more room. A large quantity of compost that remains wet for a long time is no improvement for a delicate hanging plant. Air conditions also deserve attention. Directly above a warm radiator, the long shoots may be exposed to very dry air. Higher room humidity may help but replaces neither water in the rootball nor light. The foliage is not kept permanently wet. Some air movement and a suitable position work better than frequent heavy misting in a closed, dark corner.

White flowers without a fixed calendar

White flowers are possible on well-developed plants. Their appearance indoors cannot reliably be assigned to a particular month. Healthy old flower stalks are retained after flowering if present. Before shortening individual trailing stems when necessary, these sites are checked. Feeding is moderate during active growth and follows the product's instructions. The soft foliage needs no leaf-shine products and is not wiped roughly. Individual dry remnants can be removed gently without pulling a healthy shoot apart. The natural fine surface is part of its distinctive appearance.

When the curtain shows brown areas

Dry tips, leaf loss or soft shoots are considered together with their conditions. A dry, light rootball needs a different answer from wet compost beside cold glass. Trapped shoots and very dry radiator air are checked too. I change the identifiable cause first and observe the course rather than simultaneously pruning the whole plant heavily and feeding strongly. In winter, brightness and protection from cold draughts remain important. The unchanged offer photograph in the gallery shows the genuine fine growth beside the designed scene and remains the basis for comparison with the shop size.

Pictures and details

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



Original shop photograph of the offered plant; the details in the individual offer are decisive.

Good to know

Why do the leaves look so narrow?

Very narrow, elongated leaves are typical of *Hoya linearis*.

Is the fine hair on the foliage normal?

The natural fine hairiness belongs to the plant; it is not polished away.

Does it suit every bathroom?

Only if sufficient daylight and suitable temperatures are present.

Should the rootball dry out completely?

Do not plan long periods of complete dryness; the upper compost may dry slightly.

Can it go directly above a radiator?

Avoid strongly dry radiator air along the long shoots where possible.

Can it flower white?

White flowers are possible; no fixed date or guaranteed quantity is promised.

Why do individual trailing stems break?

Fine shoots react to pulling and trapped edges; hold the pot during care.

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