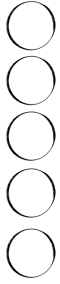


HYPOESTES



OVERVIEW

Can be grown as a bedding plant to add color in partially shaded areas. Polka dot plant (*Hypoestes phyllostachya*) is a delicate tropical foliage plant once relegated to the role of novelty houseplant.



WATER

Water thoroughly when the top 25-50% of soil is dry. If you let your *Hypoestes* dry out too much, it will let you know with limp leaves.



LIGHT

Hypoestes grows best in bright, filtered light, but tolerates some sun. The plants have better color in partial shade than full sun.



SOIL

Prefers organically rich soil with good drainage. An all-purpose organic potting mix is typically suitable for these plants. Mix in some pumice or perlite to improve soil drainage.