



# Lucky Bamboo

*Dracaena sanderiana*

*The Chinese say lucky bamboo improves Feng Shui and creates a space where you feel safe and more energized. It brings luck, fortune, and prosperity to your loved ones—not to mention the beauty and color it brings into your home!*

## **Unpacking Lucky Bamboo**

We packaged your lucky bamboo stems separately from pots or vases to protect them during shipping. Please remove the protective wrapping from your bamboo but do not remove twist ties, if any. It is important to keep roots moist or in water at all times so put your stems or arrangements in a vase or tray of water if you're not ready to put them in their new home right away.

## **Arrangements or Towers**

The twist ties on multi-stem bamboo products are not just decorative, they provide necessary stability. Do not remove them! Place your lucky bamboo in its container and fill the container with pebbles or marbles. Add water until the pebble/marble base is fully covered. Check your bamboo's water level frequently at first! Arrangements with several stems will need water at *least* twice a week, maybe more, especially during summer. If you received a tower with 2–8 tiers, the stems may have shifted during shipping. Please carefully push each stem down one by one until all their bottoms are all at the same level.

## **Light**

Your lucky bamboo is tough and resilient. It needs very little light and is content with the artificial lighting in your home. Insufficient light, however, will fade the leaves to a light green. If this happens, just try another location with a little bit more light.

## **Watering**

lucky bamboo is very easy to take care of—just add or replace water one to two times per week. If the chlorine content in your water is very high, please use filtered or bottled water. If you keep lucky bamboo in a vase, don't fill it to the top as you do with flowers. lucky bamboo grows roots wherever water contacts it so a higher water level will sprout roots further up the stem than is attractive.

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## **Recommended Water Levels:**

### **4-8" Tall Stems in Vase of Water**

Maintain a 1 to 1-1/2 inch water level. Replace water weekly.

### **10-34" Tall Stems in Vase of Water**

Maintain a 2-4 inch water level based on stem lengths. Replace water weekly.

### **Curly or Spiral Stems in Vase of Water**

Maintain a 1-4 inch water level based on straight portion of stem lengths as above. Replace water weekly.

### **Arrangements in Containers with Rocks, Pebbles, Sand, etc.**

Keep the rocks covered with water. Replace water once in awhile by taking your arrangement apart and rinsing the rocks, container, and the lucky bamboo roots; then reassemble it. This is a little extra work but necessary for the health of your lucky bamboo!

## **Precautions**

As tough as lucky bamboo is, it should *not* be exposed to direct sunlight or extreme heat. It should also not be exposed to temperatures below 50–60°F. We don't recommend putting it outside either as it may attract insects.

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