

# FIDDLE LEAF FIG PLANT CARE CHEAT SHEET

Best Wishes for a Beautiful and Healthy Plant! From Claire Akin fiddlelaffigplant.com



#### DILUTE 1 TBSP FIDDLE LEAF FIG PLANT FOOD IN 2 CUPS WATER

# BENEFITS OF YOUR FIDDLE LEAF FIG

- Purifies air (removing toxins and releasing oxygen)
- Increases air humidity
- Decreases fatigue, colds, headaches, coughs, sore throats and flu-like symptoms (research by NASA)
- Keeps you company
- Looks great in your house!
- Brings good luck

# FUN FACTS

- Your Fiddle Leaf Fig is from Africa! It likes sunlight.
- Research shows that plants do better if you make a habit of talking to them. Strange but true!
- Watch how your dog acts when you water your plant. Dogs like plants and make friends with them!

## SUNLIGHT

Bright, filtered light is best. Direct afternoon sun can burn the foliage, but less than one hour is okay. Bright light is preferred and some morning sun will help keep your Fiddle Leaf Fig looking good. Hold up a white piece of paper in the middle of the day and put your hand in front of it. Can you see a shadow? A faint shadow is good, a defined shadow is even better, no shadow is too dark. Not enough light? Artificial light can help or try to move your plant to a sunnier area.

## WATER

Resist the urge to over water! Water once a week and let drain completely. Feed with Fiddle Leaf Fig Plant Food every watering during the growing season (not in winter).

## SHOULD YOU WATER?

- Is the container heavy or light? It should feel lighter than normal.
- Is the top 1 inch of soil dry? Don't water until it is. Test with your finger.
- Does a wooden skewer show soil is dry halfway down? Wet soil smells differently.
- Are the leaves turning brown? This often means overwatering.
- Are the leaves dropping? This usually means a dry plant.
- Dusty plant? Put in shower and spray off every month to keep clean!

#### FEEDING

Use one tablespoon of Fiddle Leaf Fig Plant Food diluted in two cups of water to feed your plant. Feed in the spring and summer every time you water (once a week). Do not feed during the winter when the plant is dormant.

# **UNHAPPY PLANT?**

The most common problems are not enough sun and overwatering. Try to rule those out.