



Lucky Bamboo

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In ancient Asia, this plant was considered a member of the Bamboo family. Today, modern science classifies it as a **Dracaena**. A member of the corn or Dracaena cane plant, originating in South East Asia, this plant has been valued as a plant of good fortune. It is valued because of its wonderful ability to adapt and grow in minimal and even poor light conditions.

Care Guidelines:

- Likes a day temperature of 70 to 80 degrees F. And minimum of 60 degrees at night
- Requires low light, keep out of direct sunlight to avoid sun scald
- To water, submerge the bottom of the stalks in 1"-3" of water (depending on the length of stalks)
- Change the water every 10-14 days. Make sure to use filtered or bottled water.
- After about 1 year, transplant into a small pot with soil. Make sure it has drainage, and slowly start to allow the top 1/3rd of the soil to dry, never allow it to go completely dry between watering

Lucky Bamboo is considered good luck in feng shui, as it represents all five elements:

- **Wood:** the dracaena itself
- **Earth:** the rocks the plant grows in
- **Water:** the water the plant grows with
- **Fire:** represented by a red ribbon or tie on the plant
- **Metal:** the pot the plant is growing in- when planted in a clay or ceramic pot, a metal coin or figurine.

The numbers of stalks of the Lucky Bamboo in the pot symbolize:

- **Happiness** (3 stalks)
- **Wealth and Abundance** (5 stalks)
- **Love and Marriage** (2 stalks)
- **Good Health** (7 stalks)
- **A very powerful all-purpose blessing** (21 stalks)