



Vases vivants

CARE GUIDE

Your vase is a **bioactive microclimate** designed to require minimal care. It contains a substrate made of Akadama, charcoal, and zeolite, offering moisture retention, effective filtration, and the nutrients needed to ensure a lasting foundation.

The plants were selected for their ability to thrive in a humid environment. They were carefully cleaned with a fungicide, and their roots exposed to encourage slow and gentle growth.

Watering

Winter: 1 watering session per week using rainwater or distilled water. For each watering session, mist very generously to fully recharge the humidity inside the vase as well as all the plants. Additionally, once a month, make sure to refill the humidity reservoir at the bottom of the vase (the substrate should show a light bead of water, which will ensure moisture diffusion throughout the following week)

Summer: Mist one additional time per week, depending on the conditions in your home (Plants consume more water and humidity during the summer season).

✘ Avoid tap water (lime and additives are harmful to mosses).

The substrate should never be completely dry.

Moss should remain moist and vibrant — it's a good hydration indicator.

Light

✘ Avoid windowsills where direct sunlight could burn the plants.

If no other option is available and the vase is exposed to the south, soften the light with a sheer curtain.

Ideal conditions: Between **1500 and 2500 Lux**

Grow Light

If you've purchased a horticultural LED lamp, it includes a built-in timer. Once programmed, the lamp will turn on and off automatically at the same time each day.

How to install and program your lamp

Assembly

- Screw the telescopic rod into the lamp head.
- Insert the other end into the base.
- Slide the base under the vase and adjust the height according to the vase. The lamp is more stable—and provides better lighting—when it rests gently on the vase's lid.
- Plug the lamp into a power source.

Programming

- Turn on the lamp using the first blue button.
- Set the timer (above the power button) **to 9 hours.**
- Do not use the third button.
- On the top button, press five times to lower the light intensity

Ventilation

Your vase is designed to breathe with its lid!

✗ Do not seal it completely — this allows natural CO₂ exchange and prevents excess humidity.

Remove the lid only during watering, as the plants may dry out and deteriorate.

Plant Pruning

Some plants will grow slowly over time.

Observe them and prune if they become too large.

Use sterilized tools (scissors, tweezers) and remove the trimmed parts.

If unsure, take a photo of the plant and contact us for personalized advice at

vasesvivants@gmail.com.

Bioactivity

A tiny team works behind the scenes!

Springtails clean your vase of algae and mold.

They stay within their environment : no worries, they won't come out.

Fertilization

Fertilize:

- Once in **spring**
- Once in **autumn**

Use **¼ of the recommended dose** of a balanced fertilizer (e.g., 20-20-20) diluted in distilled water. Apply by misting.

Glass Care

Clean as needed:

- **Inside:** soft cloth (no product)
- **Outside:** mix of water and vinegar

Avoid any chemical or abrasive products.



Additional Services

We offer:

- Biannual maintenance or caretaking services (in case of extended absence) - upon request and for a fee
 - Dimmable horticultural lamps with built-in timer (\$40)
 - Specialized care tools: tweezers, scissors, pipettes, misters
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Enjoy Your Nature Corner

We wholeheartedly wish you joy in caring for your little living ecosystem!
Take time to observe it... it evolves at its own rhythm