

String of Hearts



In addition to its attractive leaves, it also produces small, bead-like tubers or bulbs at intervals along the vine giving it the appearance of a rosary.

Ceropegia woodii

- **Use:** A trailing succulent-like plant native to South Africa. The delicate heart-shaped foliage and slender vines can reach up to 12' long in its natural environment, and has earned this plant many nicknames, including Rosary Vine and Sweetheart Vine.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Place your String of Hearts where it can receive plenty of bright indirect light. Small doses of direct sun are good, however too much direct sun can scorch the leaves. This plant is not suitable for lower light environments. A few feet removed from a southern or western-facing window is ideal, or directly in a northern or eastern-facing window will also suffice. "When in doubt, let it drought!" If the soil feels slightly moist and you are unsure whether or not to water, the safest bet is to wait and check back in a few days.
- **Growth:** Draping, only reaches 2-3" tall but can have vines up to 9 feet **Hardiness:** Zone 10-12; Houseplant/ Annual
- **Foliage:** Pretty, variegated, heart-shaped leaves with purple undersides on tough, wire-like stems.
- **Flower:** The nearly odorless Chinese lantern flowers are small and a peculiar shade of brownish pink. Some people say these blooms looked like little vases with a rounded base and long, narrow top.

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