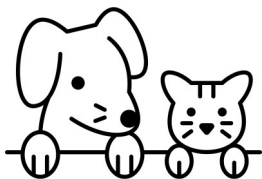# Mysty Calathea

This plant filters pollutants from the air while releasing oxygen. With this plant in your home, you breathe cleaner air.

This plant is considered non-toxic, therefore safe around children and pets.

Goeppertia insignis /Calathea roseopicta 'Mysty'

- **_Use:_** There are two sides to every story -- or in this case, every leaf! The overhead view of the leaves of this Calathea will instantly strike you as boldly confident. The intricate patterns appear to be engraved and seem as though nature had used a paint-by-numbers kit. The undersides of the leaves are bathed in deep violet, and when the light filters through, the two sides simultaneously reveal added texture and color. Leves move during the day towards light. Calathea are part of the Marantaceae family which are known for their ability to move their leaves depending on available light. This is known as nastic movement.

- **_Exposure/Soil:_** Prefers bright, indirect light. It can tolerate some lower light conditions, but avoid direct sunlight, as it can scorch the leaves. Make sure you don't have chlorine in your water, so using filtered water is best to avoid brown leaf tips. Calathea wants high humidity and high temperatures as well. Prefers high humidity levels. You can increase humidity by misting the leaves with water, using a humidifier, or placing a tray of water near the plant. Do not use leaf shine and filtered water is best. Don't be too worried if you notice the leaves beginning to curl or the stems of your Calathea Medallion drooping. These are signs of dehydration. It's important to pay attention to these indicators, but these hardy houseplants can bounce back within a day or so after receiving water.

- **_Growth:_** Can grow to 30" tall and wide.

- **_Hardiness:_** Zone 10 Houseplant, Annual

- **_Foliage:_** The dark green leaves are flushed and banded with silver and emerald green. The backs of the leaves are dark purple, adding to the excitement. Rotate your calathea to promote a full, balanced indoor plant.

- **_Flower:_** Not known for flowers.