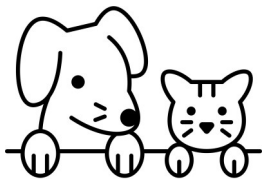


String of Turtles



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.

Peperomia prostrata

- **Use:** String of turtles, also known as *Peperomia prostrata*, is a succulent native to the Brazilian rainforest. This plant is known for its lovely trailing habit and the stunning variegated patterns on its leaves that resemble a turtle's shell.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Morning sun to light shade outdoors (when nites are above 60 degrees); bright indirect light indoors. Water when top inch of soil is dry to the touch and sparingly in winter. Moist, well-drained soil. No fertilizer is needed the first few months after planting, then feed at monthly intervals with a water-soluble house plant fertilizer. Day and night temperatures of 60-75°F are fine year round.
- **Growth:** Grows 3-4" tall and continues to trail to about 12" long.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 10-12, Annual, Houseplant;
- **Foliage:** That same leaf shape is what gives the plant its common name. Each one looks like the shell of a miniature turtle strung together. Every tiny leaf on its trailing vine has intricate multi-colored patterns covering its surface—the colors become muted with age and eventually become bicolored by maturity, typically a darker green contrasted by light green.
- **Flower:** Flowers once a year after it is three to five years old. That said, they rarely flower indoors, and the flowers are not particularly attractive. They will appear as 2- to 3-inch long spikes that are white, copper, or deep red.