

# Phalaenopsis/ Moth Orchid



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a care  
handout.



## *Phalaenopsis sp.*

- **Use:** People view an orchid as some sort of exotic, and difficult to grow plant, when they really aren't. Orchids have traditionally been grown by specialty growers, producing flowers for the florist trade or plants for the "collector".
- **Exposure/Soil:** In the home, Phalaenopsis orchids enjoy a spot near or in a bright window. You'll want to avoid direct mid-day sun but early morning or late afternoon sun is great. An east or west facing window is ideal. In darker or cloudy environments a shaded southern window might be best.
- They should be watered thoroughly and then not again until the media is nearly, but not completely, dry. Once every week to 10 days is a good starting point. In winter, with the heat on in your home, lower humidity will mean you'll water more frequently. Keep water off flowers.
- **Growth:** 12-24" tall depending on type.
- **Hardiness:** Houseplant
- **Foliage:** Long glossy green leaves.
- **Flowers:** Many different colors available.