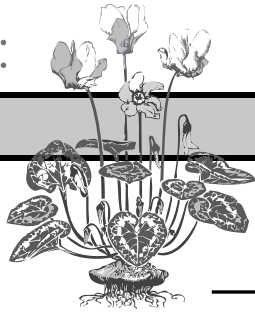


## CARE GUIDE:

### Cyclamen

The cyclamen in our greenhouse are a Mediterranean species, grown indoors for their attractive flowers and foliage. Most are lightly scented. Hardy cyclamen are sold as bulbs or outside.



Cyclamen persicum



**LIGHT** Bright, indirect light when plant is actively growing. Cyclamen will thrive in a cool window.

**WATER** Only water when the soil surface feels dry to the touch, but don't leave the plant dry so long that leaves and flowers begin to droop. Cyclamen like a good soaking, then drying out a bit before being watered again. Don't water the center of the plant. Instead, set the plant in a bowl or saucer of water, so it can drink from the bottom. Be sure to pour off all excess water after about 20 minutes to prevent tuber from rotting.

**TEMPERATURE** Keep it cool. Ideal temperatures are 40°-50°F at night, and less than 68°F during the day. If kept above 70° in a dry home, plant health will decline. A cool spot at night will help offset indoor conditions.

**FERTILIZE** Every 3-4 weeks, a water-soluble fertilizer for indoor plants should be used at 1/2 strength. Overfeeding can result in the plant producing more leaves than flowers.

**TIP** To remove a dead flower, give its stem a sharp tug. If this fails, wait a day or so, and try again.

### Reblooming

#### YOUR CYCLAMEN

Most people discard cyclamen when blooming ends and leaves yellow. This is simply the plant preparing to go dormant.

- When leaves begin to die, stop regular watering. A little water is recommended, but don't let soil remain wet.
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- In late summer, move plant to a bright location.
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