



🎄 Tree & Garland Care 🎄

- ❖ Unfortunately, there is **no guarantee** that your Christmas tree, garland, and wreaths will last until Christmas. After all, they are live "cut" greens!
- ❖ To increase the longevity of your tree (especially if purchased early in the holiday season), we advise you to keep your tree outside in the shade **un-tied** for as long as possible. **Make sure to keep the water bowl full**, and periodically spray your tree down with a hose to preserve moisture.
- ❖ **The above steps also apply to wreaths and garlands!** Be sure to keep your wreaths and/or garlands out of the direct sun when displaying.
- ❖ **Once inside, please do not place your tree by air vents.**
- ❖ **Always keep your tree's water bowl full.** The trees have been freshly cut and placed directly in water upon receipt, so they have been drinking since they arrived at Perino's. If your tree stops drinking water, don't be alarmed! The tree has simply become "full"; its leaves and twigs are fully turgid.
- ❖ **Using a Soil Moist packet?** Empty half of the beads into the water bowl and add water. The beads will absorb the water and form into a gel-like substance, keeping your tree moist throughout the season.
- ❖ **Heavy flocked trees do not need water in their bowls.** You may use the Soil Moist packets for light flock trees.

Poinsettia Care Guide

- ❖ Poinsettias are tropical plants. If you are going to keep them outside on a porch, you need to be sure to bring them in when it is **under 50 degrees Fahrenheit** or if it is very windy; **they are very fragile!**
- ❖ Poinsettias can last for a long time inside, and like to get a little dry in-between waterings. **Think: not as much water, but more often.**
- ❖ **Always make sure the poinsettia is not sitting in water and has proper drainage.** If you have a decorative sleeve on your poinsettia, please remove it before watering!
- ❖ **Poinsettias are slightly toxic to animals.** If you have a pet that likes to munch on plants, please keep them out of reach to be safe!
- ❖ Sometimes you may get a brown leaf or two, **it is important to pinch off the brown leaves as soon as you see them to prevent any browning from spreading.**

As always, please contact us immediately as soon as you start to see decline or have any questions. For diagnosis, bring in a **sample along with a photo** to the store during business hours. If you are unable to get to the store, you may email us at perinosquestions@gmail.com.