



**rapitest**<sup>®</sup>  
Soil Moisture Tester

### USING THE TESTER

At the start of every moisture reading session, use the special cleaning pad to gently wipe the entire probe 2-3 times. Push the probe down as vertically as possible to about two thirds of the depth of the container, and about half way between the edge of the pot and the stem of the plant. Do not push the probe too near the stem. Note the watering number.

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Each plant listed below has been given a watering number. For each plant, water only when the needle registers on or below the watering number. Plants with a higher watering number (3 or 4) like to be kept moist. Plants with a lower number prefer drier conditions.

### GENERAL WATERING GUIDE (Containerized Growing)

Vegetables	2-3	Shrubs (flowering)	2-3
Annuals/Biennials	1-2	Shrubs (foliage)	1-2
Perennials	2-3		

### TESTER CARE

When you remove the probe from the soil, wipe it thoroughly with a soft cloth or tissue before taking another test or storing away. Do not leave the probe in the soil for long periods. Store it dry.

### GOOD ADVICE

Check small pots more often than large ones - they dry out more quickly. Over watering rots the roots - so do not water too frequently. Out of season, most plants only need water once a week.

**FOR USE IN SOIL ONLY. DO NOT USE IN LIQUIDS!**

### WATERING NO 1

Aloe	Gold-Dust Plant	Peperomia
Calceolaria	Hen-and-Chicken	Poinsettia
Cape Ivy	Inch Plant	Pony Tail
Cardinal Flower	Jade Plant	Shrimp Plant
Century Plant	Jelly Bean Plant	Snake Plant
Ceropegia	Kalanchoe	Sugar Almond
Diplandenia	Kaffir Lily	Umbrella Tree
Dumb Cane	Lantana	Verbena
Euonymus	Lucky Clover	Vriesia
Figs	Myrtle	Wandering Jew
Flaming Katy	Orchid	
Geranium	Panda Plant	

### WATERING NO 2

African Violet	Castor Oil Plant	Monstera
Amaryllis	Chinese Evergreen	Nicodemia
Aralia	Cineraria	Norfolk Island Pine
Arrowhead Vine	Crown of Thorns	Parasol Plant
Bamboo Palm	Devil's Ivy	Philodendron
Bird of Paradise	Easter Lily	Rubber Plant
Black-eyed Susan	Fat-headed Lizzie	Silk Oak
Browallia	Figs, Weeping	Snakeskin Plant
Burro's Tail	Glory Lily	Swedish Ivy
Buxus	Grape Ivy	Wax Plant
Cacti & Succulents	Hibiscus	
Cast Iron Plant	Jerusalem Cherry	

### WATERING NO 3

Baby's Tears	Columnnea	Kangaroo Thorn
Bay Tree	Copperleaf	Mosaic Plant
Begonia Rex	Coral Berry	Nasturtium
Begonia	Creeping Moss	Oleander
Bloodleaf	Cupid's Bower	Parlour Palm
Bottlebrush Plant	Cyclamen	Passion Flower
Buddhist Pine	Dracaena	Pilea
Busy Lizzie	Figs, Creeping	Plume Flower
Caladium	Finger Aralia	Prayer Plant
Calla Lily	Flowering Maple	Primula
Camellia	Friendship Plant	Sensitive Plant
Chenille Plant	Fuchsia	Spider Plant
Christmas Cactus	Gloxinia	Vasé Plant
Christmas Pepper	Hedera Ivy	Velvet Plant
Chrysanthemum	Heliotrope	Violet Flame
Clerodendrum	Jacaranda	Zebra Plant
Coleus	Jacobinia	Peppers

### WATERING NO 4

Anthurium	Hyacinth	Pigmy Date Palm
Azalea	Hydrangea	Umbrella Plant
Bougainvillea	Jasmine	Venus Flytrap
Butterfly Flower	Lady Palm	Tomatoes
Ferns	Painters Palatte	Melons
Gardenia	Peace Lily	