

Darlingtonia californica 'Starter' Type B (CarniDar01c)

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€ 9.00

The Cobra-lily or Darlingtonia californica is one of the most stunning of all the carnivorous plants. The full-grown plant looks like a cobra snake on the point of attack. Hence the name Cobra-lily. This exotic plant has proved to be a challenge to all plant lovers.



Plant type:



carnivorous

Place:



indoor

Adult width:



10 cm

Light:



full light

Watering:



high

Araflora info



limited

Product info

The striking appearance of the Cobra-lily will doubtless amaze many plant lovers. In the first place the plant looks like a cobra snake, really bizarre. It is the rounded shape with its forked, tongue-like protrusions that make you think of a snake. Secondly the colours of this plant are remarkably beautiful; green veined with yellow and red. In order to attract insects the leaves of the plant also have small windows through which real daylight filters. The Darlingtonia californica's natural habitat is North-America and it is the only plant of its sort. The snare in which the plant catches insects is a hollow cup containing a little water. At the bottom of the rounded shape of the plant is the entrance to the snare. A fly or another insect will fly into the snare from underneath, but will try to escape through the translucent windows at the upper edge of the cup. When the insect becomes tired or makes a mistake, it will drop down a little way into the cup-shaped snare. The walls of this snare are slippery and lined with hairs that prevent the insect from climbing up again. In the end the insect falls into the water of the cup and is digested. ARAFLORA is proud to also have this rare, carnivorous plant in her collection.

Height:

4 cm



Width:

4 cm



Adult height:

5 cm



Adult width:

10 cm



Flower colour:

white



Flower period:

Jan-July



Temperature winter:

0°C



Product:

plant



Plant type:

carnivorous



Growth habit:

normal



Properties:
non-edible



Growth rate:
slow



Natural habitat:
North America



Properties:
botanical



Araflora info:
limited

























Altitude range:
500-1500 m



Plantcare

The Cobra-lily [Darlingtonia californica] is a very special, beautiful and intriguing carnivorous plant. During the day the Darlingtonia californica prefers temperatures between the 10° and 25° Celsius [50° - 77°F].On the other hand the roots of this plant prefer lower temperatures and do not like standing in stagnant water. By making use of a large container and by putting ice cubes on the bottom of the container on very hot days the right conditions for growth can be achieved. The Cobra-lily needs watering with soft water like rainwater or osmosis water. The soil in which the plant grows , must be nutrient poor and permeable. ARAFLORA has successfully used a mixture of living Sphagnum, peat and perlite for this type of soil. In winter the plant will stop growing and will also need a colder temperature. Although the Cobra-lily is not the easiest type of carnivorous plant, it is definitely worthwhile to cultivate this plant. If the right kind of attention is paid to the conditions for its growth, this plant will be a great acquisition for any plant lover.

Care: normal		Place: indoor	
Place: container plant		Place: artificial lighting	
Light: full light		Light: semi sun	
Artificial light height: 10-30cm		Fertilize: none	
Maintenance: prune dead stalks		Watering: high	
Watering tips: standing in water		Watering tips: no-water spraying	
Air humidity at day: 70-90%		Air humidity at night: 80-100%	
Air movement: normal		Temperature 5°C	
Day temperature 15-25°C		Night temperature 10-20°C	
Temperature max: 30°C		Temperature min: 10°C	
Soil ph: < 7		Soil type: peat/Sphagnum	
Repotting: after 2 years	