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IMPORTANT: Ornamental plant material should not be eaten. While most plants are harmless, some contain toxins or may cause allergic reactions. We recommend that plant material be kept away from pets. (This warning does not pertain to culinary herbs, which are safe to consume.)

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## GARDENIA

*(Gardenia jasminoides 'Veitchii')*

Get ready to indulge in the tropical splendor this gardenia will bring to your home. You'll soon be enjoying delicate, creamy white blossoms and the most delightful perfume imaginable. Just follow these easy-care instructions. And enjoy your living gift with the warm wishes of the thoughtful person whose name appears on the outer address label.

### UPON ARRIVAL

Your gardenia has been specially grown to our exacting specifications. Don't be alarmed if your plant loses some of its buds upon arrival. Bud drop is fairly common in gardenias when they are subjected to changes in their environment. Your plant will soon set more.

### PLACEMENT

Place your gardenia in a sunny spot (a south-facing window is best) with daytime temperatures of 70° to 80° F. It will perform best if you maintain even moisture and temperature, keeping the air as humid as possible. Always set the container on a protected surface to prevent water damage to furniture.

### WATER AND FERTILIZER

Keep the soil moist but don't allow the pot to stand in water. Mist daily, if possible, spraying until leaves look dew-soaked. Beginning in April and continuing through October, feed your gardenia monthly with a complete liquid plant food, or every 2 weeks with half-strength liquid plant food, such as 10-30-15.

### TRANSPLANTING

Your gardenia should be re-potted into a larger container at the beginning of the growing season in April. To ensure sufficient drainage, use packaged potting soil mixed with a small amount of ground bark or peat moss. Allow the top of the rootball to remain slightly above the soil level. After the danger of frost has passed, the plant should be moved outdoors to a location with partial sun and then gradually over a period of 2-3 weeks to a spot where it will receive full sun. Be sure to move back indoors in October, or as soon as frost threatens.

### SPECIAL CARE

If your gardenia's leaves begin to appear yellow but their midribs remain green, the plant may require an iron supplement. One application of iron chelate (available at your garden center) should correct the problem in 2-3 days. Always follow the directions on the product label.

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