

PRAYER PLANT, TEN COMMANDMENTS

Botanical Name *Maranta leuconeura* cvs.
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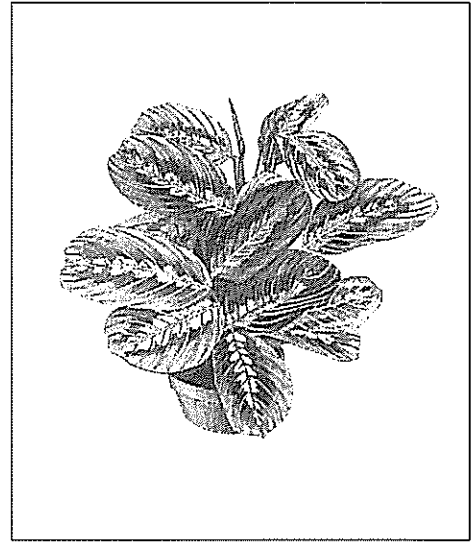
Ethylene Sensitivity No

Interior Light Level 50–150 foot candles

Storage 50–55°F. Storage time is two weeks.

Purchasing Hints Avoid purchasing plants with foliar necrosis (dead areas) as this could be caused by mites, fluoride damage, or high soluble salts. The damage is not reversible.

Additional Information Plants are sensitive to temperatures below 50°F. Best leaf color is obtained with a low pH. Iron deficiency occurs above pH 6.0. Fluoride will cause leaf margin and tip necrosis.



The species is named after B. Maranta, a Venetian physician and botanist who died in 1754. Native to Organ Mountains of southeastern Brazil. The specific epithet, "leuconeura," means white-nerved in reference to the color of the upper leaf surface.