## ABIDE A WHILE

GARDEN BOUTIQUE



## Watering Guide

Our Watering Guide is based on Lowcountry temperature and whether you have well draining soil or poor draining soil.

If you live in North Mt. Pleasant (<u>in Dunes West, Park West, Carolina Park, Planter's Point, or others</u>), your soil tends to be poor draining clay. You should water the same volume as indicated below, just not as frequent. Why? The clay soil acts like a barrier keeping too much water near the roots, which over time, will rot the roots causing the plant to fail.

If you live in an area like the <u>Old Village, Cooper Estates</u>, <u>Ion, West Ashley, or downtown Charleston</u>, with well-draining topsoil, your plant will need, initially, a lot of water and frequently.

New plants need a lot of water poured on the roots with a hose or other means that can deliver the following estimates rates. They will need more water if there is a drought! This is *critical* to their success.



DAILY TEMPERATURE: ABOVE 80 DEGREES, USUALLY SPRING, SUMMER AND FALL When watering, think of a 1 gallon milk jug as a visual aid to determine quantity.

POT SIZE	How Much?	HOW OFTEN?	How Long?
1 gallon pot	2 gallons	Everyday	First 3 months
3-5 gallons	3 gallons	Every 2 days	First 3 months
7 gallons	5 gallons	Every 2 days	First 3 months
15 gallon	5-10 gallons	Every 2 days	First 3 months

## DAILY TEMPERATURE: BELOW 65 DEGREES, USUALLY WINTER

POT SIZE	How Much?	How Often?	<b>How Long?</b>
1 gallon pot	1 gallon	3 x a week	First month
3-5 gallons	3 gallons	2 x a week	First month
7 gallons	5 gallons	2 x a week	First month
15 gallon	5-10 gallons	2 x a week	First month

Please note: Automated irrigation systems generally do NOT put enough water at the root level and are best used after the first 6 months. Relying on such systems may void your warranty. Give us a call at 843-884-9738 or email us at info@abideawhile.com for guidance!