



# Cyclamen

Cyclamen are a seasonal flowering plant, available during fall and winter. They need cool temperatures to remain in bloom as long as possible. In a warm room their blooming period will be shortened, and the foliage tends to elongate, becoming loose and open.

Give Cyclamen bright light while they are in bloom, but no direct sun. Keep evenly moist, but never allow them to sit in water. Feed every two weeks while they are in flower with a water soluble house plant food. Remove dead flowers and yellowing leaves with scissors.

After the plant finishes flowering, gradually reduce watering. When all the leaves have turned yellow, let the soil dry out almost completely. Store the plant in a cool place over the summer, like a basement or stairwell. When growth resumes in fall, repot the tuber in potting soil, bring the pot into a bright room, and start watering. While leaves are developing, keep soil barely moist. Then increase watering and start fertilizing according to label directions.