

Propagating succulent leaves

Succulents, beside being hardy plants and drought tolerant are very easy to propagate however you might find it a little bit challenging, but in this article we are going through every step you need to take to have a successful propagation.

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How to remove leaf in order to Propagating succulent leaves

First step you need to know how to remove a leaf in order to get good results however your succulent's species decide what kind of cut you need, as an example most tender Sedums and some Echeverias can be propagated with both leaf and a cutting, both ways works it depends on you which one you want and is easier to you. for cutting leaf you can use a knife or you can just easily but gently twist the leaf off the stem, have in mind to not leave any of the leaf on the stem and for that u need to have a clean cut, but its ok to cut a little bit of stem off when cutting leaf.



Dry out the leaf you cut

After successfully cutting the leaf you need to let it rest for couple days to dry out a little bit, it is because the of the leaf which you cut will absorb too much water and end in you leaf's death, so for preventing that letting leaf to dry out is important.

When you see callus forms at the cut end of the leaf it is ready to proceed to next step.



Watering in order to Propagating succulent leaves

As you know fully grown succulents doesn't watering every day but leaves and cuttings do however you need to avoid watering them too much, because it will drown it and it will result in death of your leaf. Best way to water the leaves is to put leaves horizontally on the soil, making sure that ends doesn't touch soil, and water them every time soil dries out.

Another way is to put cut end of the leaf in soil but to be honest that is experts work and if you don't know how to do it properly, it will die.



And it's time to wait, it will take some time for new rosettes and roots to form on succulent leaves and cuttings, but you can expect to see some results within 2-3 weeks. For being exact though it really depends on what time of the year you are propagating, type of the succulent, temperature of the area that you are propagating, humidity of the air and etc.

If some of your cuttings die even though you did everything, don't worry. Some will die, some will not grow as much as their siblings, some will even have lots of roots but no leaves. As I said don't worry if you lose some just keep going and by time and experience you will get hang of it.

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