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NURSERIES



**DRACAENA (PLEOMELE) REFLEXA and
DRACAENA DEREMENSIS**

The common name for the Reflexa is Dragon tree or song of India, whilst the solid green (non-variegated) variety of Deremensis is known as

‘Janet Craig.’ They are native of West Africa and are also common in the Canary Islands.

LIGHT

Reflexa requires good light conditions and will tolerate some direct sunlight. Deremensis prefer lower light conditions.

WATER

Generally these plants do not like drying out completely. Always allow the surface of the compost to dry between watering. Never allow the plant to stand in water for any length of time.

TEMPERATURE

A Minimum temperature of about 15°C (59°F).

FEED

Feed once a month with a liquid fertiliser only from April to September.

REPOT

Dracaenas may not need repotting every year. In a plastic pot, you can often tell when they need repotting as the pot will develop bulges at the sides. When you do repot, you should only go up one pot size at a time.

PRUNING

When the head of the Dracaena has become too large it is possible to cut it back, although this will considerably slow down the growth of the plant. It is best to only cut back into the green fleshier parts of the plant. If you cut into older, woody parts, they do not always produce new shoots.