



John Rapini, Greenhouse Manager at PHS Meadowbrook Farm, shares his favorite long-lived houseplants for different growing conditions and every level of expertise.

1. *Aglaonema 'Nicole'*

Aglaonemas are easy to care for and tolerant of low light conditions. I love the silver and green variegation of this particular cultivar.

2. *Hoya obovata*

Bold, round leaves and a trailing habit make this a great accent plant. It is surprisingly tolerant of various indoor lighting conditions and requires the soil to dry before watering.

3. *Monstera deliciosa*

While not a new introduction, this classic retains a great deal of popularity for novice and experienced indoor gardeners alike. Check out #monsteramondays on Instagram to see why this plant's popularity endures.

4. *Philodendron 'Pink Princess'*

Impressive pink variegation makes this one of the most desired houseplants around, although significant demand can make them expensive and difficult to find.

5. *Phlebodium aureum*

The blue star fern is a classic houseplant, combining striking blue foliage with uniquely shaped fronds. While ferns can be challenging in the dry indoors, this one survives especially well in a home environment.

6. *Pilea peperomioides*

Sometimes referred to as the friendship plant, the ease of propagation by dividing offshoots makes this ideal for sharing.

7. *Platycerium spp.*

Staghorn ferns make a bold statement in any décor, earning bonus points for their toughness, tolerance of lower light conditions, and ability to be mounted on a board.

8. *Sansevieria cylindrica*

This definitely falls into the 'basic' category, but it is one of my all-time favorite houseplants. Its ease of care and architectural appearance make it a good choice for difficult indoor areas. If you've killed everything else, try a Sanseveria.

9. *Senecio rowleyanus*

String of Pearls is an attention-grabbing favorite- great for hanging baskets in high-light situations.

10. *Zamioculcas zamiifolia 'Raven™'*

Introduced in 2017, the Raven ZZ plant combines the indestructible qualities of the ZZ plant with awesome black color.