



# LUCKY BAMBOO: A NEW YEAR'S GIFT



***Plant Lucky Bamboo in odd numbered bundles. Even numbered bundles are considered bad luck. Five stalks represent the areas of life that impact wealth. Six stalks represent good luck and wealth. Seven stalks represents good health. Eight stalks represent growth. Nine stalks represent great luck.***

- Lucky Bamboo are great holiday gift plants because they thrive in low light and can survive for years in a pot filled with only pebbles and water.
- Best of all, according to Chinese folklore, anyone who receives a lucky bamboo as a New Year's gift will experience good fortune and prosperity for at least the following year.
- Tying golden or red ribbon around the Lucky Bamboo symbolizes additional good fortune.



# LUCKY "BAMBOO" ISN'T REALLY A BAMBOO PLANT!



*Dracaena victoria is recommended by NASA's air purifying study.*

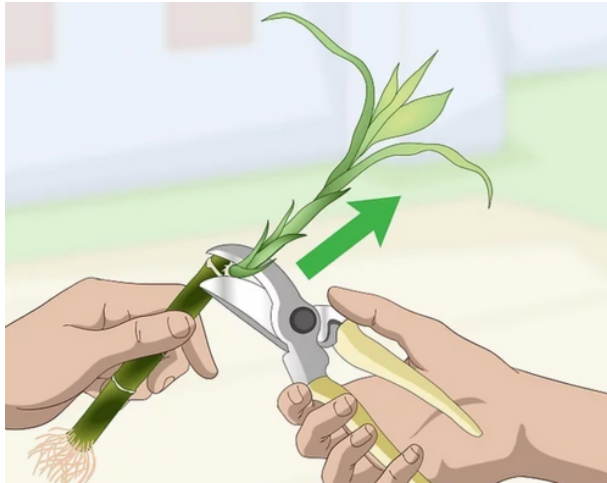


*Dracaena marginata is a tree species of the Asparagaceae family. Its historical homeland is the island of Madagascar.*

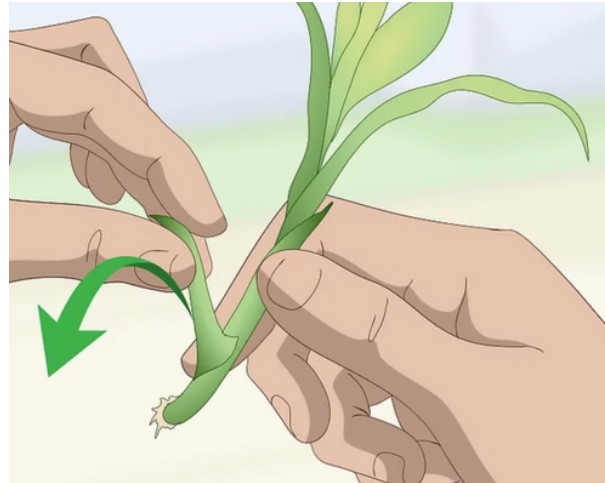
- The "lucky bamboo" that has been so popular is actually "*Dracaena sandेरiana*".
- Commonly sold rooted in water, it grows better in soil, like most plants.
- When grown in potting soil, it should be kept just slightly moist and never soaking wet.
- You shouldn't let the soil dry completely between watering either.
- Always stick your finger into the soil to check the moisture.
- When the soil is dry a full inch below the surface, it's time to water.



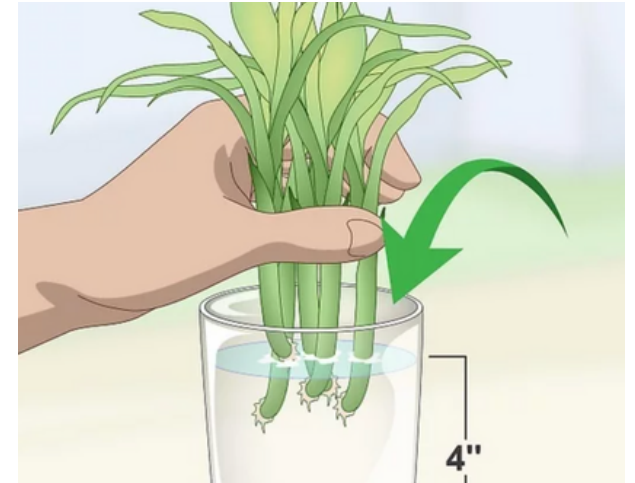
# PROPAGATING LUCKY BAMBOO



**Carefully cut the offshoot from the parent stalk.**



**Peel off bottom sets of leaves. Leave at least 1 set of leaves at the top intact.**



**Place the cutting in a jar filled with distilled water in indirect light for a month before transplanting.**

For more details on how to also propagate pieces of the stalk, go to the source – *How to Propagate Lucky Bamboo:* [Link here](#)