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VACATION CARE FOR PLANTS

There are many preparations necessary in taking a vacation. In the excitement of planning, often necessary care of the living things that will remain behind is a neglected provision. Plants, both indoors and outdoors, must receive proper care throughout the vacation!

Before leaving on vacation, water all houseplants thoroughly. Place the plants in a location out of direct sunlight; cutting back their light supply will slow the plant's growth so that less water is needed. Enclose the plants in clear plastic bags to hold in moisture, however plastic also holds in heat, so be sure the plants are out of direct sunlight. The use of a plastic covering creates an individual greenhouse which is the ideal environment for a tropical plant.