## Swiss Cheese Plant



Great as a specimen on patio or a houseplant! Great for cleaning the air in your home!

## Monstera deliciosa

- <u>Use:</u> Monstera adansonii has a fast growth rate and a vining habit. But it will remain at a manageable size when grown in a container indoors. When cultivated as a houseplant, Swiss cheese plants are typically grown from young nursery plants and can be potted at any time. It's important to note that all parts of Monstera plants are toxic to pets, so be careful when growing them indoors.
- <u>Exposure/Soil</u>: Split-leaf philodendron grows in filtered bright light in its natural habitat in tropical Central America. As a houseplant, it needs bright light but not direct sunlight. Filtered light or semi-shade with bright light are needed for it to thrive. Let the soil dry slightly before watering, and do not water-log the soil or let it sit in a soggy state for long. Mist between watering times, and keep the moss-covered support moist to provide optimal moisture. Use slow release fertilizer.
- **Growth:** Grows 10–13 ft. tall (outdoors), 3–8 ft. tall (indoors), 1–3 ft. wide Prune to keep at a manageable size.
- *Hardiness:* Zone 10-12 Houseplant, must bring inside in the winter or when temps go below 45 degrees.
- **Foliage:** Likes to be misted if possible. Its glossy cut-out leaves are a large as 18 inches wide on 12-inch-long stalks. Splits emerge as leaves grow larger.
- Flower: None