

## Cultural Information – Anacardium (an-uh-KAR-dee-um)

Light:	Full sun, a southern exposure.
Temperature:	Minimum temperature indoors, 60 degrees. Does not do well under cooler temperatures although it can take short dips without harm.
<u>Humidity:</u>	Maintain 50% or higher however they will tolerate low levels with no harm.
<u>Watering:</u>	Bring soil to a state of visual dryness between waterings then thoroughly saturate soil until a little water runs out of the bottom of the pot.
Fertilizer:	Moderate amounts of fertilizer year-round using a balanced formula in either a water soluble or granular organic. Decrease fertilizer in the wintertime when growth slows.
Pruning:	Plants can be pruned to maintain height and form. This can be done at any time however flowers and fruit form on the new growth and pruning will delay flowering for at least one growth cycle.
Insects and Disease:	Mealybug and scale can be an issue if infected plants are nearby and the roots are susceptible to disease if grown under cool temperatures.
<u>Comments</u>	Cashew is a great plant for containers as long the temperatures are kept warm. Fruiting starts at about 3 feet. They do prefer full sun and with regular fertilizer will grow quickly.