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## <u>Cultural Information – Ludisia</u> (loo-DISS-ee-ah)

Light:	Partial sun to shade, an eastern, western or northern exposure.
Temperature:	Maintain indoor temperatures above 60°; however, they will tolerate low levels without harm.
<u>Humidity:</u>	Preferably 50% or higher; however, they will tolerate low levels without harm.
Watering:	Water when the medium is visually dry, then thoroughly saturate soil until a little water runs out of the bottom of the pot. Growing in a clay pot will help maintain a healthy root system.
Fertilizer:	Apply monthly or bi-monthly during active growth. Fertilize with ½ tsp of fertilizer per gallon of water of a balanced fertilizer like a 15-15-15 or a blooming fertilizer like a 7-9-5.
Pruning:	Prune young plants to encourage branching. Mature plants can be pruned back when they are too large. Pruning doe slow down flowering. They can take a hard pruning easily.
Insects and Disease:	Some susceptibility to root disease, no insect problems. Only vulnerable to root disease under cool, damp conditions.
Comments	Flowering cycle in the winter. Use in terrariums or in hanging baskets. This is a terrestrial orchid and is more tolerant than other epiphytic orchids.