

## SPECIES SPECIFICS

**Chinese Elm** - Watch the you tube video mentioned on page one! [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Eazb7DyF\\_8g](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Eazb7DyF_8g)

Chinese Elm like good light but direct sun can crisp the leaves so be wary of position, also ensure they are not near to a heat source like a radiator or fire as this also will burn the leaves.

When you receive your Chinese Elm it is not unusual for leaves to turn yellow and to shed leaves, this is generally just due to the change of environment and not a sign of overwatering so use the soak method outlined on page one and you will soon see new shoots.

**Carmona or Fukien Tea** - Use the soak watering method as outlined on page one, Carmona like a lot of light and can be kept in a warmer position but do not allow the leaves to burn as once they do they will not recover.

Cut off old flowers once they have finished as this will encourage new ones.

**Cuphea** - Cuphea are pretty temperature and light tolerant and the watering period can be extended to 3-4 days but don't allow to dry out completely.

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**Ficus or Fig** - A very tolerant plant, will tolerate lower light levels and temperature fluctuations. Use the soaking method but the watering period can be extended to 3-4 days but do not allow to dry out.

**Ligustrum or Chinese Privet** - Ligustrum need a LOT of water, in the nursery I keep them in standing water so make sure you water every day or two and keep moist.

The foliage burns easily so out of the direct sun and drafts ideally. They are a bit more tolerant of light levels though.

**Jade or Money Tree** - Jade trees are a succulent so require very little water so keep the soil on the dry side, happy in the sun . Use the soak watering method but can be extended to once a week.

**Sageretia or Bird Plum Cherry** - Sageretia are pretty temperature and light tolerant and the watering period can be extended to 3-4 days but don't allow to dry out completely. The leaves are prone to drying out though so make sure no direct sun or heat sources.

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**Syzigium or Brush Cherry** - Syzigium are pretty temperature and light tolerant and the watering period can be extended to 3-4 days but don't allow to dry out completely.

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**Zanthoxylum or Pepper Tree** - Pepper trees like good light but are very susceptible to leaf burn so no direct sun or heat sources. They shed leaves very readily if moved or knocked so this is not a sign of any issue with the tree. Use the soaking method of watering as outlined on page one.

Please don't struggle with your Bonsai , if you are having issues please let us know and we can answer simpler questions via email [seikatsubonsaischool@gmail.com](mailto:seikatsubonsaischool@gmail.com) or if you would like to know more about Bonsai or have several questions why not book one of our one to one Bonsai lessons via Skype or FaceTime (or another communication method if easier ), the lessons start at 15 minutes which will cover most general care questions but longer sessions are available for more in depth discussions - you can book online [www.seikatsubonsaischool.co.uk](http://www.seikatsubonsaischool.co.uk) .