

**Eyelash fern** (also known as *Selaginella uncinata*) is a unique and beautiful plant with delicate, feathery foliage resembling eyelashes. It's relatively easy to care for when its environmental needs are met. Here's a guide to keeping your eyelash fern healthy:

**Light:**

- **Indirect light** is best. It doesn't do well with direct sunlight, as this can scorch its delicate fronds. A bright spot with filtered light works well.

**Temperature:**

- **Warm temperatures** between 60-75°F (15-24°C) are ideal. Avoid cold drafts and extreme heat.

**Watering:**

- **Keep the soil consistently moist** but not soggy. Eyelash ferns are quite sensitive to drying out.
- **Use distilled water or filtered water or rainwater** if possible, as they are sensitive to chemicals found in tap water like chlorine.
- Ensure good drainage in the pot to avoid root rot. Water when the top of the soil feels just slightly dry.

**Humidity:**

- **High humidity** is essential. Eyelash ferns thrive in humidity levels of 50% or higher. Consider misting the plant occasionally, using a humidifier, or placing the plant on a tray of pebbles filled with water to increase local humidity.

**Soil:**

- Use a **well-draining, slightly acidic** soil mix, such as a peat-based mix. This helps to keep the roots healthy and prevents waterlogging.

**Pruning:**

- Remove any dead or brown fronds to keep the plant looking tidy and healthy. Regularly check for any damaged fronds, as the plant tends to shed old growth.

**Potting:**

- Eyelash ferns don't need frequent repotting, but if the plant outgrows its container, you can do so during the spring with fresh soil.

With the right environment, your eyelash fern can thrive and continue to look vibrant with its lush, feathery fronds.

