

Adding plants to your home is fun and looks great! Check out all these facts about houseplants and share them with your friends or family.

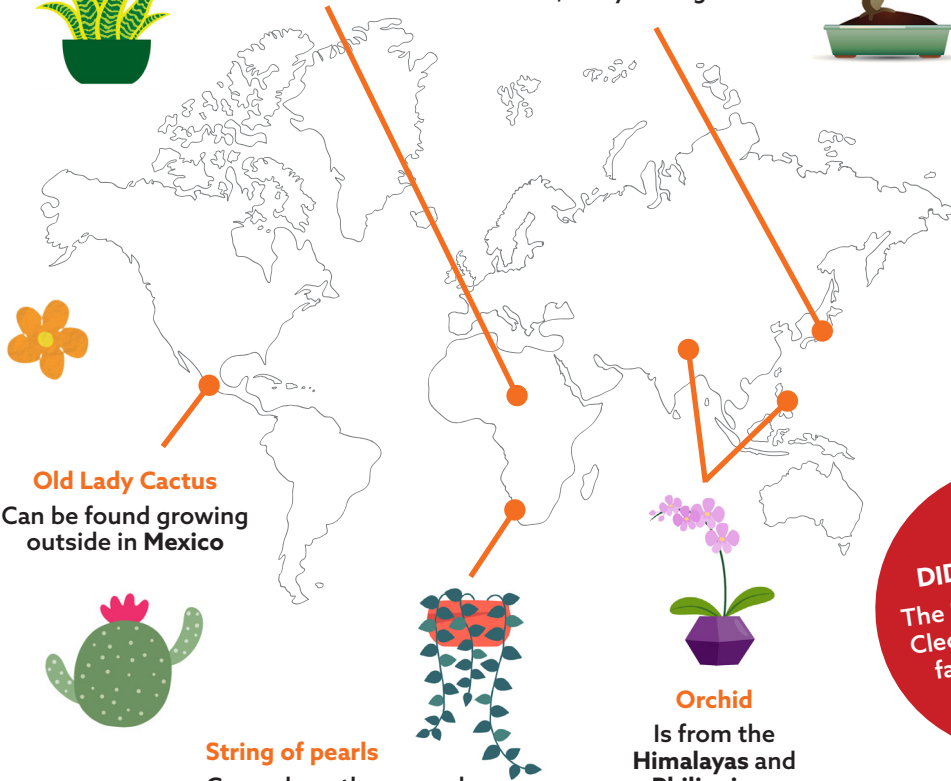
PLANTS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

Most houseplants you might have in your home aren't actually from the UK. Here are a few of our favourites, and their exotic homes!



Snake plant
Grows in rocky, dry land in Africa

Bonsai
The tiny trees were invented in Japan over 1,000 years ago



Old Lady Cactus
Can be found growing outside in Mexico



String of pearls
Grow along the ground in Southwest Africa



Orchid
Is from the Himalayas and Philippines

DID YOU KNOW?
The Egyptian Queen, Cleopatra, was a big fan of Aloe Vera!

PLANTS WITH TALENTS

Houseplants don't just look nice, they have lots of other uses. Here are a few cool ones...



The Prickly Pear Cactus can be boiled or fried and put in soups or salads



TOP TIP
Always use pots with holes. This stops water sitting around the roots.



Aloe Vera is used to heal burns because it cools down the skin



Spider plants and snake plants are used to clean the air



Herbs like **peppermint, thyme, and mint** can be grown inside and used for cooking