

Persimmon Tree Care Guide (Diospyros spp.) - 29 Figs Nursery

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Ornamental Beauty with Sweet Autumn Harvests

Quick Facts

- Sunlight: Full sun to partial shade
- Hardiness Zones: 7-10 (some to Zone 6)
- Drought Tolerant: Moderate (once established)
- Fruit Bearing: 3-5 years from planting
- Size: 10-15 ft in pots, 20-30 ft in ground

In-Ground Planting

- Soil: Well-draining loam preferred. Tolerates clay if drainage is improved.
- Watering: Deep water weekly during growing season. Reduce in winter.
- Spacing: At least 15-20 feet apart.
- Fertilizing: Balanced fertilizer (10-10-10) in spring and early summer.
- Pruning: Prune in late winter to early spring to shape and manage size.

Container Growing

- Pot Size: 20+ gallon container with drainage holes.
- Soil Mix: Rich potting soil mixed with sand or perlite for drainage.
- Watering: Water deeply 1-2 times per week in warm months.
- Winter: Protect potted trees from frost; move to sheltered area if needed.
- Fertilizing: Monthly feeding during active growth with diluted balanced fertilizer.
- Repotting: Every 2-3 years, or when rootbound.

Pro Tips

- Choose a non-astringent variety for fresh eating (like Fuyu).
- Keep grass and weeds away from base to reduce pest risk.
- Fruit matures in late fall; harvest before hard frost.
- Thin young fruit to encourage better size and flavor.

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