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What type of soil is best? Wet to well-drained, organic soil is ideal. Acid to neutral pH is recommended.

What kind of light do they require? They grow in light shade to deep SHADE.

How much water do they need? Water regularly during the growing season. Caladium can be deer- and rodent-resistant.

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