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If you received or bought an orchid that is potted in sphagnum moss, here are some simple rules on how to take care of it.

These rules apply to mostly Phalenopsis plants, but can apply to others, as well.

1. Enjoy it while it is in bloom in your house or lanai, but keep away from any heavy drafts.
2. Water it about every 7-10 days or when the sphagnum moss is losing its moisture (be sure to dig your finger deep into the pot to make sure it isn't still really moist deep inside). Don't water it if it still feels moist deep in the pot. Spagnum moss likes to stay moist, but not wet.....
3. When watering, put it in a sink or somewhere where it can drain thoroughly (if it is in a decorative basket with no drainage, take it out to water) and water enough for the moss to get evenly moist. Never let the orchid sit in water for any extended period of time, they hate wet feet. **Extra Tip: Do not let water sit in the crown of the leaves (the center)..it may could cause root rot.**
4. Most orchids like bright filtered light and about 50% humidity so when it is done blooming put it somewhere where it will have enough light. It is a good idea to fertilize your orchid, especially when it is done blooming, to help promote new growth and future blooms. We suggest a weak dosage every week (or with every watering).
5. Remember most orchids like their roots very close to the pot so if you think your pot is too small for your orchid, most likely it is just right.
6. If you ever have questions about your orchid, you can call or stop in. **Note: If you need to speak to Mickey (our orchid expert), please call ahead of time to make sure he is in the shop that day before you make the trip.**
7. If your orchid was bought from our store, you can bring it in to have repotted when it is done blooming with no labor charge. You only pay for the cost of materials. All other repotting of orchids is 25.00 an hour (with a minimum labor fee of 6.25 per plant) plus the cost of materials.

Enjoy your orchid and remember- Don't fuss with it too much.....they like a little neglect.