

African Violets

The topic at the February GGG meeting was care of indoor plants. One member asked for advice on getting African violets to flower. Here are some tips from one successful grower: Give them good light but not too much sun, an east window is ideal. Don't over water, let the top half inch of soil dry out between waterings. Don't wet the foliage. Feed sparingly. African violets flower best if they're pot bound, so don't repot them until you absolutely have to, then go to the next size of pot. Repotted plants won't likely flower for one year. Now for the real secret for prize winning blooms ? add about a half teaspoon of Epsom salts to the regular watering about the end of March. Your violets will love you for it.