Phalaenopsis care observation checklist

Record what you can observe before changing care. For potted Phalaenopsis orchids. A review date is a reminder to observe, not an instruction to water.

Plant label or name

Observation date / last flowering period, if known

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1. Confirm the plant is a Phalaenopsis. If unsure, photograph the label and whole plant.

2. Photograph visible roots, leaves and flower spike. Keep the date with each photo.

3. Note the pot, drainage holes and potting material. Write "unknown" where needed.

4. Check moisture below the surface. Record how you checked it.

5. Record location, light and any recent move.

6. Record watering, fertilizer, repotting and other recent changes.

7. Write the main concern and the source used to choose a next step.

8. Choose the next observation date. Check the plant and mix before watering.

Main concern / what I need to verify

Next step and source

Next observation date

For rapid decline or uncertain root assessment, seek a knowledgeable local orchid grower or horticultural service. Share dated photos and care history. This sheet cannot diagnose a disease or guarantee flowering.

Care principles: American Orchid Society, Phalaenopsis culture sheet and Watering techniques for success. Source review: September 30, 2026. Available at aos.org. Worksheet prepared October 1, 2026.