



THE MIDWAY NEWS

2. Tree OF THE MONTH

THE FICUS GENUS BELONGS TO THE FAMILY OF MULBERRY PLANTS (MORACEAE) AND IS THE MOST POPULAR SPECIES FOR BEGINNERS AT BONSAI. THEY LIVE ON ALL CONTINENTS IN THE TROPICAL REGIONS AND ARE VERY SUITABLE FOR BEING KEPT AS INDOOR BONSAI.

WATERING: THE FICUS SHOULD BE GIVEN WATER GENEROUSLY WHENEVER THE SOIL GETS SLIGHTLY DRY.

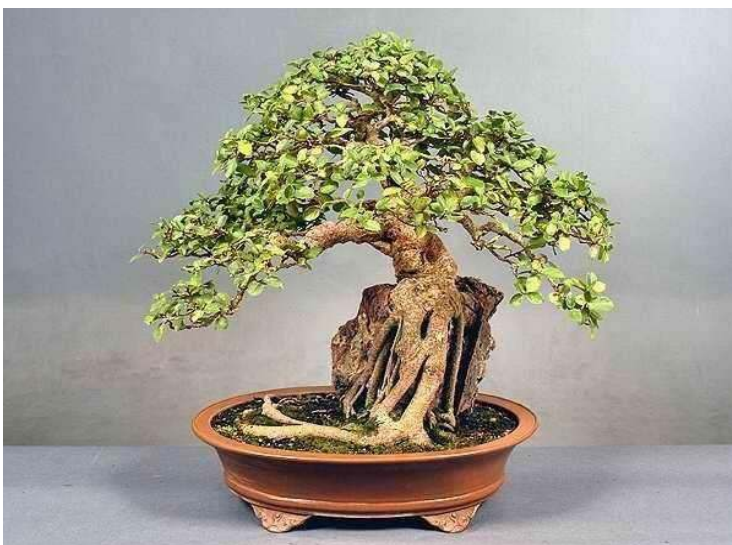
FEEDING: FERTILIZE WEEKLY OR EVERY TWO WEEKS DURING SUMMER, EVERY TWO TO FOUR WEEKS DURING WINTER (IF THE GROWTH DOESN'T STOP).

REPOTTING: REPOT THE TREE DURING SPRING EVERY OTHER YEAR, USING A BASIC SOIL MIXTURE. FICUS TOLERATES ROOT-PRUNING VERY WELL.

PROPAGATION: CUTTINGS CAN BE PLANTED AT ANY TIME OF THE YEAR. AIR-LAYERING WILL WORK BEST IN SPRING. GROWING FICUS PLANTS FROM SEED CAN BE DONE IN SPRING.



Cascade burtt davyi ficus – Hennie Reynekie (won sliver for the less than 300mm range at the October 2016 BRAT day)



World renowned ficus sycamores – Charles Ceronio



Fig with developed aerial roots – artist unknown