



GETTING STARTED / 01

Make yourself at home.

Your first five minutes

01 / Start your account

Open tipu.kiwi/signup. Create an account and verify your email using the link in your inbox. Check junk mail if it does not arrive. Sign in and create your household.

02 / Add your first plant

Choose Add a plant. Enter its nickname, species, room, pot size, pot material, mix, light and room conditions. Add the last watering date if you know it. You can edit the setup later.

03 / Make care a small ritual

Open Today to see plants due for a soil check. Follow each plant's guidance. Choose Dry · watered only after watering, or Still damp if watering can wait. Tipu records the action and updates the next check.

You can start free with up to three plants. NFC tags are optional. A reminder is a prompt to check the soil, not an instruction to water every time.

One plant. One little tap.

Link and use your NFC tag

01 / Get the right plant link

Open All plants, select the plant, choose NFC tag and then Show plant link. Copy that exact link. It identifies the plant without revealing its internal database ID.

02 / Link the physical tag

The first kits are linked with Tipu support. Email tipu@armedia-social.co.nz once your plants are set up; we will help arrange linking. There is no in-app NFC writer yet. If writing it yourself, save the copied plant link as a URL record in your NFC writing app, then read it back and test before locking the tag.

03 / Hang, tap and open

Hang the droplet by its matching plant using the string hole. Hold a compatible phone near the tag, move it slowly to find the reading spot, then open the phone's link prompt. Sign in as the owner or use a valid sitter pass if asked.

The tag has no battery or moisture sensor. Keep it away from metal, wet soil and standing water. If tapping fails, open the plant in All plants. Use a plant-specific QR if supplied; the welcome QR opens this guide, not an individual plant.

A gentle nudge.

Switch on your reminders

iPhone / Add Tipu to Home Screen

Open tipu.kiwi in Safari. Use Share (or the page menu), then Add to Home Screen. If shown, leave Open as Web App enabled. Open Tipu from its new icon. Phone reminders require iOS 16.4 or later and permission.

Android / Use a supported browser

Open Tipu in a browser with notification support. Use its Install app or Add to Home screen option if offered. Sign in and open Reminders. Browser options vary by phone.

Set your daily check-in

Choose Reminders, set your daily time and time zone, then Enable phone reminders. Allow notifications and use Send a test notification. Save your preferences. Email reminders are another option using your verified email address.

Tipu sends one daily summary when soil checks are due. Focus modes, connectivity and phone settings can delay or silence alerts. Today shows the current list. A previous home-screen install or reminder permission on the old domain does not automatically transfer: add tipu.kiwi and reconnect reminders there.

Care while you are away.

Sitter access, photos and help

Give your sitter a temporary pass

Open Sitter access. Enter the sitter label, first day and last day, then Create sitter pass. Copy the link, QR or ten-digit code when it appears. Share it privately with your chosen sitter. Dates include the last day in New Zealand time. Revoke access early from the same page if needed.

What your sitter can do

Your sitter sees the household care dashboard and can record care jobs during the allowed dates. They cannot manage billing or owner settings. The NFC link alone does not grant access. No pass? Ask the owner; do not create a second owner account for the visit.

Use the plant doctor thoughtfully

Open a plant, then Plant doctor. Choose a clear JPEG, PNG or WebP under 2 MB, add notes and consent before sending it. Avoid people and private details. AI offers possible explanations; it can be wrong and does not automatically change your care schedule.

Need help? Email tipu@armedia-social.co.nz. For missed taps, sign-in or reminder problems, include your phone/browser and what happened. Do not send passwords, card details or sitter codes. Billing is managed through Account. Read [tipu.kiwi/privacy](#) and [tipu.kiwi/terms](#).