

Mummy for Jember

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Since four or five years ago, multilevel grafting to cut back the stages of adenium branch and twig shaping has been notable. The technique employed has always been V grafting technique, but unfortunately, it leaves out a visible grafting print. As for now, in Jember, East Java, there is a new technique called flat grafting technique that enables a fine grafting to be yielded; the grafting print is barely seen.

The interesting part is the grafting is swathed with pp rope so as to resemble a mummy. Such is done so that the grafting surface agglutinates tightly. According to Ir Ari Wijayani Purwanto MP, a physiologist of Agricultural Faculty of National Development University, Yogyakarta, tighter grafting will minimize oscillation, and thus cell and tissue unification becomes easier. Still, in Ari's opinion, multilevel flat grafting technique requires special expertise than in performing V grafting technique. **(Destika Cahyana)**

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1. There are more adeniums that have been multilevel grafted participating in a contest

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2. Shorten plant shaping time from 2-3 years to 3 months
3. This is how to make a mummy

1. Prepare an adenium that is going to be shaped. Choose the one with big branches having diameter of 3-6 cm. Also prepare sharp knife and a roll of ice wrapper plastic
2. Cut the branch at the desired position. Do the same to another branch having the same requirement. Make a knot with ice plastic on the lower part. Clump then fasten it up crosswise using rope. Bandage it inter-crossingly.
3. One branch may be grafted up to 5 levels. In principle, the higher grafting goes then the branches and twigs space get shorter so as to be proportional. Cover the upper most grafting with plastic.
4. Usually a week after, the grafting will have been agglutinated. A month afterward, leaf shoot will emerge marking a new life beginning. Bandaging can be opened after 3 months