



Fox Hill Gardens

Nursery & Landscaping

Selecting the Right Fern

Though we tend to think of ferns as being all of one type of plant, in reality two species of fern can be as different as night and day. Choosing the right type of fern based on your site conditions can be the difference between a lush, vigorous plant and an unhappy camper. As a rule, ferns prefer shade; however many can tolerate sun as long as their moisture requirements are met.

DRY AREAS

Christmas Fern – *Polystichum acrostichoides*

Leatherwood Fern – *Dryopteris marginalis*

Miss Vernon's Lady Fern – *Athyrium filix-foemina* "Vernonia Cristata"

Polypody Fern – *Polypodium vulgare*

Male Fern – *Dryopteris affinis*

WET AREAS

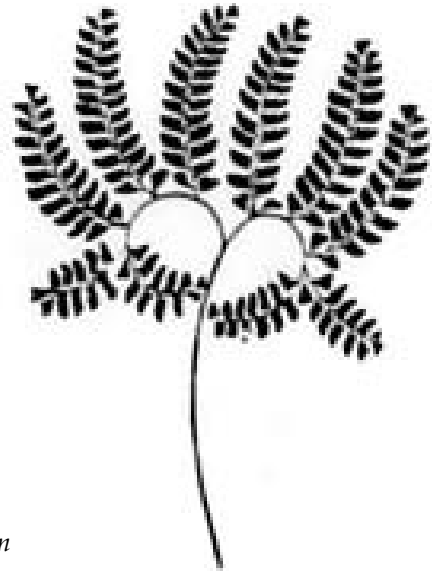
Ostrich Fern – *Matteucia pennsylvanica*

Cinnamon Fern – *Osmunda cinnamomea*

Sensitive Fern – *Onoclea sensibilis*

Interrupted Fern – *Osmunda claytoniana*

Royal Fern – *Osmunda regalis*



MOIST (NOT WET) AREAS

Maidenhair Fern – *Adiantum pedatum*

Japanese Painted Fern – *Athyrium nipponicum*

Japanese Beech Fern – *Thelypteris phegopteris*



PARTLY SUNNY AREAS

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Royal Fern - *Osmunda regalis*

Sensitive Fern - *Onoclea sensibilis*