

Tree ferns are one of the largest groups of ferns. Widely popular among fern and palm collectors, most tree ferns have distinctive growth habits and are marked by a woody or fibrous trunk topped with a crown of sprawling fronds. Most species can grow to be massive ferns, however, some may be quite small. A few interesting species have trunks that creep or lie flat on the ground. Tree ferns add a unique and tropical look to any garden.

When you receive your Tree Fern shipment, you should immediately remove all packing and water the ferns.

Most Tree Ferns are tropical or sub-tropical and need to be protected from wind, frost and <u>never let dry out</u>.

SMALL POT MIX

Smaller than 1 gallon

75% peat moss 20% sponge rock (perlite) 5% silicone sand Planting Tree Ferns in a pot or container Use a well drained, light mix.

LARGE POT MIX

5 to 15 gallon

Use small pot mix and add 25% of your garden soil

Planting Tree Ferns in your Garden

Tree Ferns should be planted in well drained soil. Mix in plenty of mulch (Organic compost) in your planting area. (3 x larger than the pot) Tree Ferns also need to be planted in shade or filtered sunlight. Many Tree Ferns can grow in full sun but they need to be started in the shade. Add mulch (Organic compost) to the top of the soil every 2 to 3 months. Fertilize lightly with a fertilizer high in acid such as (Miracle Grow or 20-6-16)

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