

Mexican Male Fern

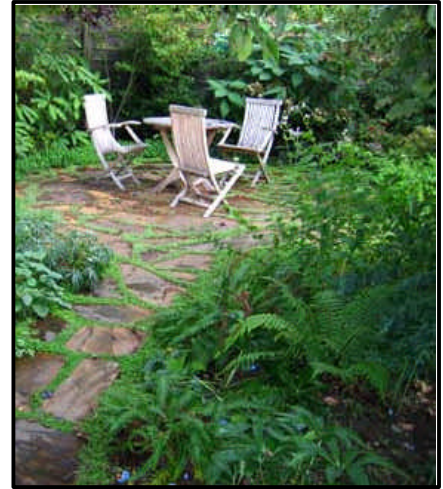
Dryopteris pseudo filix-mas

North American Native



Dryopteris (dree-op-teris) From the Greek *drys*, oak, and *pterus*, a fern.

pseudo (su-do) From the Greek *pseudo*, false, *filix-mas* (fil-iks-mahs) meaning male, referring to its similarity to the North American native Male Fern, (*Dryopteris filix-mas*).



Zones: 5 - 8 Height: 3 - 4' Spacing: 18"

About the Species:

Family: Dryopteridaceae

This 4' semi-evergreen beauty from Mexico will remind you of the Christmas Fern, but bigger and stockier. It thrives in rich, moist well-drained shady soil.

Habitat: Mexican Male fern is found growing in light shade in the higher elevations of Mexico and Guatemala.

In the Garden: Plant in rich, moist, well-drained soil in shade to part-shade. It will tolerate dry conditions once established. Mexican Male will fill in nicely in the shade garden or shady border as it continues to produce new fronds throughout the summer.

