

Botanical Name: Farfugium japonicum 'Giganteum'

Common Name: Giant farfugium, Giant leopard plant

Type of Plant: dicot: perennial Family Asteraceae

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape upright, rounded mound, with large succulent, rounded leaves
arising from a basal rhizome, leaves arise on slender, 2-3' petioles

Height to 4 ft. Spread to 5 ft. Growth Rate moderate

Environment:

Exposure outdoors prefers partial sun/shade, full sun along coast

Soil prefers moist, well-amended acidic soils, tolerates most

Hardiness hardy, thrives in cool, moist locations; zones 4-10,14-24

Morphology:

Leaves large, palmate, distinctly rounded-kidney shaped, on long
petioles, blades 10-15" across, dark, lustrous green with toothed margins

Flowers light yellow heads, to 2" across, appearing in open corymbs in
summer; flowers appear above foliage on long, branched stalks

Fruit achenes

Propagation: division, seed

Usage: attractive filler used for its large, tropical foliage and unique
form; good for tropical, shaded landscapes, large-scale container plant

Landscape Care:

Watering Likes regular watering but will tolerate brief drought when well-
established; tolerates heavy watering

Fertilizing slow-release fertilizer in spring

Pruning remove spent flower stalks; thin or divide to control size

Pests/Diseases snails and slugs, mealybug and whitefly

Other _____

Origin: Japan