

Botanical Name: Dicksonia antarctica

Common Name: New Zealand tree fern

Type of Plant: Perennial/fern Character evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape tree fern with thick fuzzy trunk, dark green leathery

foliage, fuzzy scales do not extend onto foliage

Height to 15' Spread 6-10' Growth Rate slow

Environment:

Exposure outdoor shade to half-shade

Soil prefers a well-amended soil

Hardiness hardy, zones 8,9,14-17, 19-24

Morphology:

Leaves to 6' long, tri-pinnate, thin leathery, dark green--brown

scales absent under fronds

Flowers none

Fruit sori marginal at tips of veins

Propagation: spore

Usage: background plant or accent for tropical or woodsy

landscapes--use in fern groupings or in containers

Landscape Care:

Watering keep moist--needs regular watering

Fertilizing organic fertilizer in spring

Pruning remove dead fronds

Pests/Diseases none

Special Conditions

Origin: New Zealand Family: Dicksoniaceae