

Ferns for Dry Climates	Common name	Lesser Dry Tolerance	Common name	Ferns to grow in Full Sun	Common name
<i>Adiantum aethiopicum</i>	Common Maidenhair	<i>Adiantum formosum</i>	Giant Maidenhair	<i>Acrostichum aureum</i>	Golden Mangrove fern
<i>Adiantum hispidulum</i>	Rough Maidenhair	<i>Blechnum cartilagenum</i>	Gristle fern	<i>Acrostichum speciosum</i>	Mangrove fern
<i>Asplenium bulbiferum</i>	Hen and Chicken fern	<i>Blechnum minus</i>	Soft Water fern	<i>Adiantum hispidulum</i>	Rough Maidenhair
<i>Asplenium australasicum</i>	Birds Nest fern	<i>Blechnum nudum</i>	Fishbone Water fern	<i>Amphineuron opulentum</i>	Rich/Opulent fern
<i>Calochlaena dubia</i>	Common Ground fern	<i>Blechnum penna-marina</i>	Alpine Water fern	<i>Azolla</i> spp (N)	Floating fern
<i>Cheilanthes</i> spp (N)	Rock fern	<i>Blechnum watsii</i>	Hard Water fern	<i>Blechnum cartilagineum</i>	Gristle fern
<i>Cyathea australis</i>	Rough Tree fern	<i>Christella dentata</i>	Binung	<i>Blechnum indicum</i>	Swamp Water fern
<i>Cyathea cooperi</i>	Coin Spot Tree fern	<i>Pteris umbrosa</i>	Jungle Brake fern	<i>Blechnum minus</i>	Soft Water fern
<i>Davallia pyxidata</i>	Hare's Foot fern	Ferns for the Seaside	Common name	<i>Calochlaena dubia</i>	Common Ground fern
<i>Doodia aspera</i>	Prickly Rasp fern	<i>Acrostichum aureum</i>	Golden Mangrove fern	<i>Cheilanthes</i> spp (N)	Rock fern
<i>Doodia media</i>	Common Rasp fern	<i>Acrostichum speciosum</i>	Mangrove fern	<i>Christella dentata</i>	Binung
<i>Doodia</i> spp (N)	Rasp fern	<i>Adiantum aethiopicum</i>	Common Maidenhair	<i>Cyathea australis</i>	Rough Tree fern
<i>Drynaria quercifolia</i>	Oak fern	<i>Asplenium obtusatum</i>	Shore Spleenwort	<i>Cyathea cooperi</i>	Coin Spot Tree fern
<i>Drynaria rigidula</i> spp (N)	Basket fern	<i>Blechnum cartilagineum</i>	Gristle fern	<i>Cyathea</i> spp (N)	Tree Fern
<i>Histiopteris incisa</i>	Bat's Wing fern	<i>Blechnum indicum</i>	Swamp Water fern	<i>Dicksonia antarctica</i>	Soft Tree fern
<i>Lastreopsis acuminata</i>	Shiny Shield fern	<i>Blechnum watsii</i>	Hard Water fern	<i>Doodia aspera</i>	Prickly Rasp fern
<i>Lastreopsis</i> spp (N)	Shield fern	<i>Cheilanthes</i> spp (N)	Rock fern	<i>Gleichenia dicarpa</i>	Pouched Coral fern
<i>Microsorium pustulatum</i>	Kangaroo fern	<i>Drynaria quercifolia</i>	Oak fern	<i>Histiopteris incisa</i>	Bat's Wing fern
<i>Nephrolepis cordifolia</i>	Fishbone fern	<i>Drynaria rigidula</i> spp (N)	Basket fern	<i>Hypolepis glandulifera</i>	Downy Ground fern
<i>Pellaea falcata</i>	Sickle fern	<i>Hypolepis muelleri</i>	Harsh Ground fern	<i>Hypolepis muelleri</i>	Harsh Ground fern
<i>Pellaea nana</i>	Small Sickle fern	<i>Microsorium pustulatum</i>	Kangaroo fern	<i>Hypolepis rugulosa</i>	Ruddy Ground fern
<i>Pellaea paradoxa</i>	Large-leaved Sickle fern	<i>Nephrolepis cordifolia</i>	Fishbone fern	<i>Marsilea</i> spp (N)	Nardoo
<i>Platycterium bifurcatum</i>	Elkhorn	<i>Nephrolepis obliterated</i>		<i>Nephrolepis cordifolia</i>	Fishbone fern
<i>Polystichum proliferum</i>	Mother Shield fern	<i>Platycterium bifurcatum</i>	Elkhorn	<i>Polystichum proliferum</i>	Mother Shield fern
<i>Pteris tremula</i>	Soft Bracken fern	<i>Platycterium hillii</i>	Northern Elkhorn	<i>Pteris ensiformis</i>	Slender Brake fern
<i>Pyrrhosia</i> sp (N)	Felt fern	<i>Polystichum proliferum</i>	Mother Shield fern	<i>Pteris tremula</i>	Soft Bracken fern
<i>Rumohra adiantiformis</i>	Leathery Shield fern	<i>Rumohra adiantiformis</i>	Leathery Shield fern	<i>Pteris vittata</i>	Chinese Brake fern
<i>Todea barbara</i>	King fern	<i>Todea barbara</i>	King fern	<i>Pyrrhosia rupestris</i>	Rock Felt fern
				<i>Sticherus lobatus</i>	Spreading Fan fern



Sources: Calder Chaffey  
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<i>Adiantum aethiopicum</i> **	Common Maidenhair	<i>Christella dentata</i>	Binung	<i>Hypolepis muelleri</i> *	Harsh Ground fern
<i>Adiantum capillus-veneris</i> **	Venus Hair fern	<i>Cryptogramma crispera</i> **	<i>Parsley fern</i>	<i>Hypolepis rugulosa</i> *	Ruddy Ground fern
<i>Adiantum formosum</i> *	Giant Maidenhair	<i>Culcita dubia</i> **	Rainbow fern/ False bracken	<i>Lastreopsis acuminata</i> **	Shiny Shield fern
<i>Adiantum hispidulum</i> *	Rough Maidenhair	<i>Cyathea australis</i> **	Rough Tree fern	<i>Lastreopsis decomposita</i>	Trim Shield fern
<i>Adiantum pedatum</i> **	<i>American Maidenhair</i>	<i>Cyathea brownii</i>	<i>Norfolk Island Tree fern</i>	<i>Lastreopsis glabella</i>	
<i>Adiantum raddianum</i>	<i>Maidenhair fern</i>	<i>Cyathea cooperi</i> *	Coin Spot Tree fern	<i>Lastreopsis hispida</i> *	Bristly Shield fern
<i>Angiopteris evecta</i> *	King fern	<i>Cyathea cunninghamii</i> *	Slender Tree fern	<i>Lygodium</i> spp * (N)	Climbing Maidenhair fern
<i>Arachnoides aristata</i>	Prickly Shield fern	<i>Cyathea dealbata</i>	<i>Silver Tree fern/ Ponga</i>	<i>Marsilea</i> spp * (N)	Nardoo
<i>Arachnoides standishii</i>	<i>Upside-down fern</i>	<i>Cyathea medullaris</i>	<i>Black Tree fern/ Mamaku</i>	<i>Nephrolepis cordifolia</i> *	Fishbone fern
<i>Asplenium australasicum</i>	Birds Nest fern	<i>Cyathea smithii</i> **		<i>Pellaea falcata</i> *	Sickle fern
<i>Asplenium bulbiferum</i> **	Hen and Chicken fern	<i>Cyathea woollsiana</i>		<i>Pellaea rotundifolia</i>	<i>Button fern</i>
<i>Asplenium flabellifolium</i>	Necklace fern	<i>Cyrtomium carotideum</i>	<i>Dwarf Holly fern</i>	<i>Pellaea viridis</i>	<i>Green Cliff Brake</i>
<i>Asplenium flaccidum</i>	Weeping Spleenwort	<i>Cyrtomium falcatum</i>	<i>Japanese Holly fern</i>	<i>Platynerium bifurcatum</i> *	Elkhorn
<i>Asplenium oblongifolium</i>	<i>Shining Spleenwort</i>	<i>Davallia canariensis</i>	<i>Canary Island Hare's foot fern</i>	<i>Platynerium veitchii</i> *	Silver Elkhorn
<i>Asplenium viride</i> **	<i>Green Spleenwort</i>	<i>Dennstaedtia davalliodes</i>	Lacy Ground fern	<i>Polypodium formosum</i>	<i>Green Grub fern</i>
<i>Athyrium filix-femina</i> & cvs	<i>Lady fern</i>	<i>Dicksonia antarctica</i> **	Soft Tree fern	<i>Polystichum aculeatum</i> ** & cvs	
<i>Athyrium niponicum</i> var <i>pictum</i>	<i>Japanese Painted fern</i>	<i>Dicksonia fibrosa</i> **	<i>Wheki-Ponga</i>	<i>Polystichum formosum</i> *	Broad Shield fern
<i>Athyrium otophorum</i>		<i>Dicksonia squarrosa</i> **	<i>Wheki</i>	<i>Polystichum munitum</i> **	<i>Sword fern</i>
<i>Athyrium pycnocarpum</i>	<i>American Glade fern</i>	<i>Diplazium assimile</i> *		<i>Polystichum proliferum</i> **	Mother Shield fern
<i>Blechnum cartilagenum</i> *	Gristle fern	<i>Doodia aspera</i> **	Prickly Rasp fern	<i>Polystichum retroso-paleaceum</i>	
<i>Blechnum discolor</i> **	<i>Crown fern</i>	<i>Doodia caudata</i> *	Small Rasp fern	<i>Polystichum setiferum</i> ** & cvs	<i>Soft Shield fern</i>
<i>Blechnum fluviatile</i> **	Ray Water fern	<i>Doodia media</i> **	Common Rasp fern	<i>Polystichum tsus-simense</i>	
<i>Blechnum indicum</i> *	Swamp Water fern	<i>Dryopteris affinis</i> & cvs	<i>Scaly Male fern</i>	<i>Polystichum vestitum</i> **	<i>Prickly Shield fern</i>
<i>Blechnum minus</i> **	Soft Water fern	<i>Dryopteris atrata</i> ( <i>cycadina</i> )	<i>Shaggy Shield fern</i>	<i>Pronephrium asperum</i> *	
<i>Blechnum nudum</i> **	Fishbone Water fern	<i>Dryopteris erythrosora</i>	<i>Autumn fern</i>	<i>Pteris cretica</i> & cvs	<i>Cretan Brake fern</i>
<i>Blechnum pattersonii</i> *	Strap Water fern	<i>Dryopteris filix-mas</i> & cvs	<i>Male fern</i>	<i>Pteris tremula</i> *	Soft Bracken fern
<i>Blechnum penna-marina</i> **	Alpine Water fern	<i>Dryopteris marginalis</i>	<i>Marginal Shield fern</i>	<i>Pteris umbrosa</i>	Jungle Brake fern
<i>Blechnum procerum</i> **		<i>Dryopteris sieboldii</i>		<i>Pyrrhosia rupestris</i> *	Rock Felt fern
<i>Blechnum spicant</i> **	<i>Ladder fern/Deer fern</i>	<i>Histiopteris incisa</i> **	Bat's Wing fern	<i>Rumohra adiantiformis</i> *	Leathery Shield fern
<i>Cheilanthes austrotenuifolia</i> **	Rock fern	<i>Hypolepis distans compacta</i>		<i>Todea barbara</i> **	King fern
<i>Cheilanthes distans</i>	Bristly Cloak fern	<i>Hypolepis glandulifera</i> *	Downy Ground fern		

\* Will tolerate light frost

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*i* = Exotic species (italicised)