

Shaggy Shield Fern (*Dryopteris cycadina*)

This semi-evergreen fern, commonly called wood fern, is easy to grow and can reach a mature height of up to 3 feet tall and wide, but may only reach 2 feet tall and wide in some gardens. New growth emerges in late spring.



Plant Care: It likes shady gardens, but can handle some light sun or dappled sun. Old, brown fronds should be removed regularly. Divide plants when crowded.

Watering: This fern, like most ferns, prefers a fertile, moist and well-drained growing site and is resistant to deer.

References:

<https://www.gardenia.net/plant/dryopteris-cycadina>

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