

Asparagus densiflorus

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Common Names: **Asparagus Fern**, Emerald Feather, Lace Fern, Plumosa Fern, Racemose Asparagus, Shatavari, Sprengeri Fern, Foxtail Fern, Cat's Tail Asparagus, Myer's Asparagus

Family: Asparagaceae

Origin: South Africa

Growth: Clumping

Light: Bright, filtered

Foot Candles: 175 - 225

Water: Evenly moist

Humidity: 30% - 60%

Temperature: 14°C - 28°C

Soil: Regular potting mix

Container: Self-watering planter

Nutrients: 10-10-10 Monthly

Propagation: Seed, division, or tubers

Interiorscape Use: Filler plant, desktop planter



Common Pests: Mealybugs, Aphids, Spider Mites, Scale, Thrips.

Common Issues: Root rot when sitting in water. Lack of light will cause stretching and plant will lose the bushy appearance. Direct sun will crisp the leaves.

Comments: Despite its common names, this plant is not a fern, but actually a type of decorative asparagus. The root system has been known to break pots if left root-bound for too long. If proper conditions are met, small white bell flowers appear, followed by small red fruit.

Toxicity: Fruit is not edible and will cause stomach aches.



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