

Wavy Cloak Fern



Astrolepsis (Cheilanthes) sinuata

- **Use:** A dryland fern often found in rocky crevices and native to the Southwest with a disjunct population in Georgia. The narrow, upright, semi-evergreen, thick green fronds with stunning white backs line the black stipe, forming a tight 18" wide upright clump with a short creeping rhizome. By handsome contrast the stems are pinkish. In the wild, this evergreen wanders around in dryish gulches and on partially sunny hillsides.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Part shade–shade. In the garden it needs a specially created similar habitat with good drainage and low moisture. In areas of high winter rainfall a container facing south and protected from the whims of weather under the eaves or similar “umbrella” of a building serves the need.
- **Growth:** The narrow 6 to 18 inch upright fronds are tightly trimmed in chubby, starry-haired blue pinnae.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 7b-10; Perennial
- **Foliage:** Semi-evergreen. By handsome contrast the stems are pinkish. In the wild, this evergreen wanders around in dryish gulches and on partially sunny hillsides.
- **Flower:** none



**A fern for the collector.
Semi-evergreen, shade-loving, and
deer resistant**

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