

Giant Chain Fern



Perfect for woodland gardens and next to ponds.

Woodwardia fimbriata

- **Use:** The evergreen giant chain fern is the largest American fern, with striking fronds 3 - 5 ft. tall or more. Deer resistant.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Prefers part shade but will accept darker conditions. Will grow in open, somewhat sunny areas within the fog belt, as long as it has access to moisture. Great in moist woodland gardens near a stream or against a shady wall. Keep in mind, this fern likes some moisture but does not want to be kept wet. Allowing it to dry out just a little between waterings can be beneficial. To keep it looking fresh and vigorous, cut back to the ground in late winter just before the new fiddleheads begin to emerge.
- **Growth:** Moderate-growing 18 to 24 in. tall and wide. Spreads by underground stems.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 8-10; Perennial
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Beautiful, upright, arching, emerald-green, feathery fronds about 3' long are held in a tight non-invasive clump – yay!
- **Flower:** Not known for flowers.