

# Blue Star Fern



**An interesting looking fern with elongated fronds and a pleasant green-blue color. Its ability to tolerate lower-light conditions and relatively easy care make it a great choice for beginning and more experienced fern lovers alike!**



## Phlebodium aureum

- **Use:** An epiphytic (grows in the air) fern native to tropical and subtropical regions of the Americas. It's creeping rhizomes are densely covered in the golden-brown scales that give the species its name.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Light shade is preferred, indirect light, but low light tolerant. This makes it a great plant for locations with relatively high humidity, such as north facing bathrooms or kitchens. If you regularly mist the plant and the air in your home isn't too dry, a location like the living room is also fine. Actually an epiphyte and not terrestrial like many other ferns so will prefer an orchid bark mix.
- **Growth:** The fronds are 2' tall and wide, but up to 4' with age. Spreads by rhizomes.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 9-11; Houseplant Bring indoors below 45 degrees.
- **Foliage:** Evergreen if indoors, The fronds are large and pinnatifid (deeply lobed), and vary in color from bright green to glaucous green with undulate margins.
- **Flower:** None, but spores on undersides of leaves

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