## PERENNIAL FERNS 2023

Varieties, description and culture....3 or 4 quart containers unless otherwise noted



| Autumn Fern  | <b>\$9.99</b> / Dryopteris erythrosa 'Brilliance' / 18-24" tall / A clumping semi-evergreen type with bronzy-<br>orange new fronds that mature to a deep glossy green. Likes moisture and best sited in a<br>protected area. |
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| Christmas Fern   | \$9.99 / Polystichum acrostichoides / 24" tall / Native evergreen clumping. Tolerates a wide variety   |
|  | of habitats including dry shade, although its naturally slow growth may be sped up with ample  |
|  | moisture and extra humus. Used for Christmas décor by settlers hence the name.   |
| Hay Scented Fern   | \$9.99 / Dennstaedtia punctiloba / 24" tall / Deciduous clumping. Vigorous spreading clumps of   |
|  | light green fronds. Tolerates a wide variety of soil types and deep shade.   |
| Japanese Painted Fern  | \$9.99 / Athyrium nipponicum pictum / 8-20" tall / Deciduous clumping. Spectacular fronds of   |
|  | burgundy, gray and dark green. Colors intensify with maturity.   |
| Japanese Painted Fern 'Crested Surf' New \$10.99 / Athyrium nipponicum pictum / 20-22" tall / Deciduous clumping. Much |  |
|  | like the original painted fern only with double crested tips and better vigor.   |
| Ostrich Fern   | \$9.99 / Matteuccia struthiopteris / 48-60" tall / Deciduous spreading native. Large plume-like  |
|  | fronds. Edible bright green fronds emerge in early April. Best size in moist rich soil with morning  |
|  | sun. Valuable height for the shade garden.   |
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**Fern Culture:** All ferns do best in soils that drain well and contain plenty of humus in evenly moist conditions. A few ferns, such as ostrich, royal and cinnamon tolerate boggy soil or even flooded conditions. Ferns can be sensitive to high salt levels incurred from chemical fertilizing, so organic sources typically work best. Most grow best in shade or morning sun.