

Adiantum hispidulum Sw.

Adiantum hispidulum typically reaches a height of 20-60 centimeters (8-24 inches), making it a relatively small fern species. The fronds of this fern are characterized by their fine, lacy appearance. They are pinnate, meaning that the leaflets are arranged along a central stem, creating a feather-like structure. This fern has rough or bristly hairs on its fronds, giving them a distinctive texture. These tiny hairs are more pronounced on the stalks and leaf undersides. It is a relatively slow-growing fern that can spread slowly through its rhizomes. This fern is often found in a variety of environments, including rainforests, wet forests, and along streambanks. It prefers moist, shaded locations. It is used in ornamental gardens as decorative plant.



Native to

Polynesia, Africa, southern India, Philippines



Geo. Distribution

Tropical Eastern Africa to Asia to all states of Australia (with the exception of Tasmania), as well as New Zealand and Pacific islands

