

# Fern Pack

## Cinnamon Fern (*Osmunda cinnamomea*) Native

- 4'-4.9' fern, full to partial shade, very moist soils
- Cinnamon ferns grow from spring to early summer and do best in moist areas. These ferns have multiple large green fronds and several smaller fronds that begin green but turn a cinnamon color in midsummer. The green fronds are infertile while the small cinnamon colored fronds produce spores and remain until late fall while the infertile fronds may only last until early fall when the first frost occurs.



## Christmas Fern (*Polystichum acrostichoides*) Native

- 2'-3' fern, partial shade, well drained moist soil
- Christmas ferns have fronds with shiny dark green leaflets. These ferns are unique in that they are common to temperate environments but still remain green throughout the winter. This persistence and their green color make these ferns a popular Christmas decoration.



## Ostrich Fern (*Matteuccia struthiopteris*) Native

- 3'-5' fern, partial shade, moist to wet soil
- Ostrich ferns have very tall fronds with ornate leaflets that resemble feathers. Their fronds grow almost completely vertical. The spore producing reproductive fronds are shorter than the non-reproductive fronds and persist until late fall.



## Maidenhair Fern (*Adiantum pedatum*) Native

- 12"-18" fern, partial shade, moist basic soil
- Maidenhair ferns are low growing ferns with thin frond stalks and small bright green leaflets. Maidenhair ferns are known to grow along and up rocky areas and rock walls.



## New York Fern (*Thelypteris noveboracensis*) Native

- 1'-1.5' fern, partial shade, moist soil
- New York ferns have a unique yellow-green color to their fronds. They are commonly found in colonies that provide a green carpet to the forest floor in many forests in New York. These ferns do not produce separate reproductive fronds and release their spores from the back of their leaflets.

