East Bay Nursery

Rabbit's Foot Fern

Davalia tyermanii



Rabbit's Foot Fern foliage
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Plant Height: 6 inches

Flower Height: 8 inches

Spread: 18 inches

Sunlight: ◐ ●

Hardiness Zone: 9b

Other Names: Silver Hare's Foot Fern, Bear's Paw Fern

Description:

A charming fern that produces soft, silvery above ground rhizomes that cascade over the sides of its pot; soft, lacy, dark green fronds rise up and add great color and texture to any space

Features & Attributes

Rabbit's Foot Fern's attractive glossy ferny bipinnately compound leaves remain dark green in color throughout the year on a plant with an arching habit of growth.

This is an herbaceous evergreen houseplant with a shapely form and gracefully arching foliage. Its extremely fine and delicate texture is quite ornamental and should be used to full effect. This plant may benefit from an occasional pruning to look its best.

Planting & Growing

When grown indoors, Rabbit's Foot Fern can be expected to grow to be only 6 inches tall at maturity extending to 8 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 18 inches. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. This houseplant performs well in both bright or indirect sunlight and strong artificial light, and can therefore be situated in almost any well-lit room or location. It does best in average to evenly moist soil, but will not tolerate standing water. The surface of the soil shouldn't be allowed to dry out completely, and so you should expect to water this plant once and possibly even twice each week. Be aware that your particular watering schedule may vary depending on its location in the room, the pot size, plant size and other conditions; if in doubt, ask one of our experts in the store for advice. It will benefit from a regular feeding with a general-purpose fertilizer with every second or third watering. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soil. Contact the store for specific recommendations on pre-mixed potting soil for this plant.

There are many factors that will affect the ultimate height, spread and overall performance of a plant when grown indoors; among them, the size of the pot it's growing in, the amount of light it receives, watering frequency, the pruning regimen and repotting schedule. Use the information described here as a guideline only; individual performance can and will vary. Please contact the store to speak with one of our experts if you are interested in further details concerning recommendations on pot size, watering, pruning, repotting, etc.