

Adiantum sp.

(Maidenhair Fern)

Maidenhair Fern is a foliage plant with arching, black veined leaves. The stunning leaves are compound bright green. This fern grows from rhizomes, that spread quickly just under the surface of the soil. It can reach a width of 60 cm or more. Somewhat difficult to grow, this tropical native demands high humidity Grows best in partial shade or shade. Temperate required is 16-25 C. If the plant dries out due to low humidity needs to be cut back till the ground. Keep the ground moist and the air humid and it will restart sprouting. Not many pests bother Maidenhair Fern however, scale insects and mealy-bugs are the most common. Used as interior plant where the high humidity could be kept all year around.



Plant Image

Landscape Information

<b>French Name:</b> Cheveux de Vénus
<b>Pronounciation:</b> ad-ee-AN-tum species
<b>Plant Type:</b> Groundcover
<b>Origin:</b> Brazil and Venezuela
<b>Heat Zones:</b> 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8
<b>Hardiness Zones:</b> 9, 10, 11
<b>Uses:</b> Indoor, Container

Size/Shape

<b>Growth Rate:</b> Slow
<b>Tree Shape:</b> Round
<b>Canopy Symmetry:</b> Symmetrical
<b>Canopy Density:</b> Open
<b>Canopy Texture:</b> Fine
<b>Height at Maturity:</b> Less than 0.5 m
<b>Spread at Maturity:</b> Less than 50 cm
<b>Time to Ultimate Height:</b> 1 Year

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Flower Image

Botanical Description

Foliage

- Leaf Arrangement: Opposite
- Leaf Venation: Parallel
- Leaf Persistence: Evergreen
- Leaf Type: Odd Pinnately compound
- Leaf Blade: Less than 5
- Leaf Shape: Linear
- Leaf Margins: Serrate
- Leaf Textures: Smooth
- Leaf Scent: No Fragrance
- Color(growing season): Green
- Color(changing season): Green

Flower

- Flower Showiness: False

Trunk

- Trunk Esthetic Values: Showy

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Leaf Image

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**Horticulture Management**

**Tolerance**

**Frost Tolerant:** No

**Heat Tolerant:** No

**Drought Tolerant:** No

**Salt Tolerance:** Poor

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**Requirements**

**Soil Requirements:** Clay, Loam, Sand

**Soil Ph Requirements:** Acidic, Neutral

**Water Requirements:** High, Moderate

**Light Requirements:** Shade

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**Management**

**Toxity:** No

**Invasive Potential:** No

**Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases:** Yes

**Life Span:** Less than 25

**Edible Parts:**

**Pests:** Snail

**Plant Propagations:** Division

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