Japanese Tassel/ Lace Fern



Evergreen, shade-loving, and deer resistant.

Polystichum polyblepharum

- <u>Use:</u> This is probably the most attractive fern that we grow, so why is it so hard to describe? The dark evergreen plasticillate (made that one up) foliage arches out from a central crown, forming a 24" wide clump.
- Exposure/Soil: Prefers filtered shade in moist humus rich soil. Use slow release fertilizer two times a year.
- <u>Growth</u>: Will grow 18" to 24" tall and spreads slowly up to 24" wide.
- *Hardiness:* Zone 5-8; Perennial
- <u>Foliage</u>: Evergreen; Each frond is a lacily cut artistic masterpiece...this sounds pretty syrupy, doesn't it? Actually, the species name "polyblepharum" means many eyelashes...does that help? How about saying, it's just the best darn fern that you will ever buy!
- Flower: none