

## Leather Woodfern - Plant



*Dryopteris marginalis* (marginal wood fern) is a perennial species of fern found in damp shady areas.

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Description

## Description for Leather Woodfern

This is a woodland fern which is most often found in shaded crevices of rocky ledges and bluffs. Features grayish-green, deeply cut, leathery fronds. *Dryopteris marginalis* has leathery leaves or fronds of deep blue-green. Prefers shade and moist soil containing large amounts of organic matter. Can take dry-ish shade.

Common name	Flower colours	Bloom time	Height	Difficulty
Marginal shield fern or marginal wood fern	Non-flowering	Non-flowering	1.50 to 2 feet	Easy to grow

## Planting and care

Easily grown in average, medium, well-drained soil in part shade to full shade. Prefers moist, rich, humusy, acidic soils with protection from wind.

Sunlight	Soil	Water	Temperature	Fertilizer
Part shade to full shade	Average, medium, well-drained soil	Medium	55 degrees F to 65 degrees F	Apply any organic fertilizer

## Caring for Leather Woodfern

- Gather the spores from the mature fronds.
- Remove the frond from the plant and place it in a paper bag with the spore side down.
- Dry the frond for up to two weeks in a warm, dry location.
- Sterilize a large salt shaker by rinsing it in a bleach solution of one part bleach to nine parts water. Allow drying completely.
- Remove the frond from the paper bag, tapping it lightly to shake off any remaining spores.
- Pour the spores, dust and dried bits of frond into the sterilized salt shaker.

## Typical uses of Leather Woodfern

**Special features:** Grow in shady areas of the woodland, rock, native plant or wild garden. Mixes well with spring wildflowers, purple-leafed heucheras and hostas. Excellent as a specimen or in groups.

**Culinary use:** NA

**Ornamental use:** The plant is used for ornamental purposes. Evergreen fronds provide good interest to the winter landscape.

## References

- <http://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/PlantFinder/PlantFinderDetails.aspx?kempercode=k170>
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