PLANT FACT SHEET

Thelypteris arbuscula (Willd.) K. Iwats.

GENUS *Thelypteris* **FAMILY** Dryopteridaceae

COMMON NAMES Fern

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fronds, Leaves

DESCRIPTION

A fern. It has an erect rhizome 30 cm tall. It has a thick layer of roots and scales. The fronds form tufts up to 1.5 m tall. The blades are narrowly oblong. They are 35-70 cm long and 12-28 cm wide. They are twice divided.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It suits the wet tropics.

NOTES

There are about 200 Dryopteris species.

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