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'Sassy'

Nephrolepis exaltata

Table fern or small hanging basket...quick, reliable, wonderfully improved cross between Compacta and Teddy Jr. This fern really fits its name, "Sassy". "Sassy" just looks fresh and sassy! Easy to grow, all plants in a block exhibit the same growth rate and uniform looks. Could work well in an assortment. Light green color really stands out.



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Culture for best commercial production:

Light: 1200 fc to 2000+ fc. No light meter? The shadow from your hand on a flat surface should be clear but the edges should be fuzzy.

Temperature: 60° to 85° F. Survives temperatures well above and below but growth slows or stops altogether.

Feed: 100 to 150 ppm on constant feed (15-5-15) with available Ca, Mg & pH around 6.

Water: more ferns are harmed by overwatering than holding back on the water. Water well then allow to dry lightly before watering again.

Potting Mix: this is often dictated by what is available locally. The key elements are low salts and excellent drainage. Some peat helps to retain fertilizer salts and keep water available to the root hairs.

Pest Control: Talstar(r) + Orthene(r) works well as a preventative program for aphids or scale during the warm months.

Container: usually grown as a large table fern or hanging basket.

Schedule: (starting with a Santa Rosa Tropicals plug) 4" starter pot - 8 to 10 weeks 6" pot - 12 to 16 weeks 8" pot - 12 to 16 weeks from a 4" pot 10" basket - 18 to 24 weeks from a 4" pot. Pot all year on a regular rotation for year round sales.

