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## 'White Rabbit's Foot Fern'

*Humata tyermanii*

Humata gets its common name, 'White Rabbit's Foot' from the white fur on the feet (rhizomes) that come over the edge of the pot. It is a very easy fern to grow. The most common problems for the consumer result from too little light and too much water. Baskets of Humata can be hung outside and will survive night temperatures into the teens! All the fronds will be shed and new ones will grow when it warms up again.



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### Growing Information

**Zone:** 8-10

**Light:** Filtered sun. Inside the home the danger is 'too dark'.

**Temperature:** Comfortable house temperatures are fine. Can be grown outside down to the low teens.

**Feed:** Quarter to half strength of any soluble fertilizer when new growth is present. Miracle Gro® or equivalent works well.

**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:** Should have some peat to hold fertilizer salts and moisture, but the mix must drain very well. Dolomite lime supplies Ca and Mg helps keep good color.

**Pest Control:** Quite pest-free. Most pests can be brushed off with a Q-tip and alcohol or just plain water if found early enough.

**Pot size:** 6" pots or 6" to 10" baskets. Plastic pots dry out more evenly but clay looks great.

**Repotting:** Can stay for a very long time in a pot. Problems arise when it is so pot bound that it requires water too often. Your fern can then be moved up to a larger pot, or divided quite safely into several new pots. (See our '[Fern Tips](#)' page for simple tricks to help when repotting your ferns).

