

Doodia aspera



Doodia aspera: Prickly Rasp Fern

Family: *Blechnaceae*

Genus: *Doodia* named after Samuel Doody an apothecary of London.

Species: *aspera* from the Latin *asper* 'rough' in reference to the rough stipe and rachis.

This is a clumping, terrestrial fern with dark wiry roots. It is up to 35cm high with leathery, rough pinnae. The new growth is bright pink

This fern is found in tropical and temperate rainforest and open eucalyptus forest, usually in shade, although it grows quite well in sun.



Pink new growth



Spore pattern

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Australian Ferns: Growing them Successfully by Calder Chaffey,
A Field Guide to Australian Ferns: Volume 1 by Calder Chaffey.

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