

# Crispy Wave Fern



## Product Information

Asplenium Crispy Wave is a beautiful, trendy and sculptural fern with shiny green pleated leaves. Crispy Wave is hardy and thrives in a light place with a minimum of care.

Asplenium Crispy Wave(N) is a plant which is highly effective at cleaning the air and converting CO<sub>2</sub> to oxygen. This, combined with its long shelf life, makes the plant a perfect decorative element in the office or home.

In 1961, Japanese gardener Haruo Sugimoto discovered a deviant Asplenium plant on the island of Yaku. The leaves of the plant were stiff and very wavy with a deep, yellowy-green colour. Over the next many years, he tried to subculture it without losing the characteristic wavyness of its leaves. It was not until 1994, some 30 years later, that he managed to subculture the version we know today.

## Care Tips

Do not place these plants in direct sunlight, they prefer low light areas. If you find your plant is getting more light on one side than the other it should be rotated to encourage even growth.

Water the plant from above but make sure that there is good drainage at the bottom of the pot. The soil should be kept lightly moist – never let it dry out completely or overwater. One to two waterings per week is standard. As the plant grows it will require a larger pot which in turn will require more frequent watering.

If your home is on the dry side be sure to spray/mist the leaves a couple of times per week as the Crispy Wave likes a little humidity – if the air is too dry the leaves may turn brown. Reduce the frequency of waterings in the winter months during the plants dormant phase.

Feed once a month with liquid all purpose fertilizer (20-20-20) diluted to half strength, except during the winter months (Nov-Dec-Jan-Feb) when they do not need fertilization. Only use liquid fertilizer; avoid pellets which could cause chemical burns to your Crispy Wave. Do not overfeed as this could burn the roots.