

## *Diplazium pallidum*

**Family:**

Athyriaceae

**Botanical name**

*Diplazium pallidum* (Blume) T.Moore

Link to Australian Plant Name Index for publication details and synonyms:

<https://id.biodiversity.org.au/name/apni/77512>



Habit. © B.S. Wannan

**Description**

Rhizome erect, forming a slender trunk to c. 30 cm tall, with persistent stipe bases, scaly at the apex; scales black with irregularly toothed margins. Fronds erect in a spreading tussock. Stipe 10–33 cm long; base black and scaly. Lamina 1-pinnate, 30–50 cm long, 15–25 cm wide, dark green; rachis scaly; apical segment similar in form to the lateral segments but often deeply lobed at the base. Pinnae oblong-lanceolate, 8–14 cm long, 10–12 mm wide; margins toothed to entire; apex attenuate; veins free, forked. Sori extending along the length of the upper branch of a fork; indusium brown with entire margins.

**Distribution**

Occurs in a limited area of NE QLD near Cairns and Daintree. Also in Malesia and Melanesia.

**Habit and habitat**

Terrestrial, usually on hillslopes in moderately low altitude rainforest.

**Citation of Australian Tropical Ferns and Lycophytes**

Field AR, Quinn CJ, Zich FA (2022) Australian Tropical Ferns and Lycophytes. [apps.lucidcentral.org/fern/text/intro/index.htm](https://apps.lucidcentral.org/fern/text/intro/index.htm) (accessed online INSERT DATE).

Field AR, Quinn CJ, Zich FA (2022) '*Platyserium superbum*', in Australian Tropical Ferns and Lycophytes. [apps.lucidcentral.org/fern/text/entities/platyserium\\_superbum.htm](https://apps.lucidcentral.org/fern/text/entities/platyserium_superbum.htm) (accessed online INSERT DATE).

---

Copyright © Australian Tropical Herbarium 2022, all rights reserved.



Web edition hosted at <https://apps.lucidcentral.org/ferns>