

## *Lastreopsis poecilophlebia*

### Family:

Dryopteridaceae

### Botanical name

*Lastreopsis poecilophlebia* (Hook.) Labiak, Sundue & R.C.Moran

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### Description

Rhizome long-creeping, wiry. Rhizome scales ovate, 1–1.5 mm long, thin, brown, glossy; margins toothed; apices acuminate. Fronds 35–95 cm long. Stipe 20–35 cm long, scaly, densely pubescent. Lamina 15–60 cm long, with 1–6 pairs of lateral pinnae and a similar apical one. Pinnae narrowly ovate to oblong, 12–23 cm long, 2–4.5 cm wide, dark green above, paler beneath; base cuneate; margins thickened, crenate to dentate in the distal half or along the length of the pinna; apex acuminate; veins anastomosing.

### Distribution

Endemic to NE QLD between Iron Range and Seaforth.

### Habit and habitat

A common terrestrial fern in a wide variety of lowland and montane rainforests including continental islands.

### Natural history

This species was first collected by naturalist John MacGillivray on Dunk Island during the voyage of H.M.S. *Rattlesnake*.

### Cultivation

Readily grown in a container of free draining mix or in a shaded part of the garden or tropical fernery.

### Similar species

Similar to *Pronephrium asperum*.

### Citation of Australian Tropical Ferns and Lycophytes

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