

Plants of Guam

Cyathea lunulata

Cyatheaceae



Cyathea growing in a narrow ravine



Closeup of frond



Trunks up to 5 m tall. Old fronds fall off. Living fronds are located in a crown.

SCIENTIFIC NAME: *Cyathea lunulata* (Forster f.) Copeland

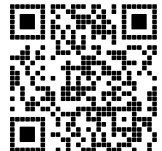
SUBFAMILY: Cyatheaceae

COMMON NAME: Tree fern

CHAMORRO NAME: Tsatsa

ORIGIN: Indigenous to Guam

DISTRIBUTION: Guam and other Micronesian islands and Polynesia





Leaf bases covered with pale brown scales.



Young fiddlehead



Trunk showing leaf scars after fronds drop off



Fertile frond leaflets are covered with sori which contain spores.

FORM: Large tree fern

STEM: Trunk up to 5 m tall

FROND: Very large tripinnate fronds up to 2m long; fertile fronds with sori; new and living fronds are located in a crown; old fronds fall off

HABITAT: Grows in savanna and in narrow ravines

PROPAGATION: Spores



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