This evergreen perennial grows in clumps 12”-24” tall.

New frond ‘fiddleheads’ in spring.

Deer Fern
Blechnum spicant

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Deer fern has two types of fronds: fertile deciduous fronds and evergreen sterile fronds.

The leaflet bases are completely attached along the stem.

PNW Native Plant
PPNC: 420

Evergreen

Wetland
Riparian
Prairie
Meadow
Forest
Tree
Shrub
Ground cover
Forbs/Grass