

Russell Zabel Platycerium gallery

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Australian Staghorn
Cabbage staghorn
P. dwarf superbum

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This is a beautiful Australian Platycerium superbum variant. It was found naturally in New South Wales. It is a dwarf. Some people call it a cabbage stag due to the crinkled nature of the fronds. A true freak of nature. This plant is very rare and is a must in any fern collection. Some people call it the "Bambi Stag"



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Australian Staghorn
P. superbum

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This is a beautiful staghorn from Australia. It is a spectacular staghorn. It is a spectacular stag. Hardy in subtropics and temperate climates.



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African Elkhorn
P. elephantotis

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Platycerium elephantotis is an unusual and visually different staghorn platycerium originating from Africa. A beautiful exotic elkhorn variety and well worth having. Spectacular when growing! This is a large plant and is well established. Hardy in tropics. Not suitable for temperate climate unless it is in a hot house. Not all that difficult to grow, likes warmer weather and lots of water when growing.



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Philippines Staghorn
P. grande

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African Elkhorn
P. alcicorne

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This is a beautiful exotic elkhorn from Africa. It was called Vassei.

A stunning elkhorn variety and well worth having. Spectacular when growing! It throws wonderful emerald green coloured shields to protect the roots. They will shield up once a year in late spring.



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Javan Elkhorn
P. willinckii

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Platynerium willinckii is from Java. Closely related to *P. bifurcatum*, it is distinctive. Fertile fronds grow upward, then are pulled down as the frond matures, often becoming quite long. Slower growing than most clumping staghorns. It may need more water, at least part of the year. Absolutely beautiful



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Elkhorn hybrid
P. elemaria (*elephantotis* X *andinum*)

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This is a beautiful exotic hybrid elkhorn from Africa and South America

The *P. elemaria* is a hybrid species combining spore from *P. andinum* and *P. elephantotis*. Originally thought to be part *P. stemaria* but recent DNA tests show *P. andinum* the parent. The fertile fronds are dark green with a waxy top. Typically grown in a greenhouse, the plant is grown outside and tolerates lower temperatures than either parent.



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Australian Elkhorn
P. bifurcatum

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A beautiful Australian species found in Queensland and NSW. Hardy in subtropics and temperate climates.



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Australian Elkhorn
P. veitchii

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The beautiful silver elkhorn. Spectacular on a tree in full sun. Grows in full sun in the Carnarvon Gorge in South West Queensland. Will grow on rocks, trees and plaques. Tolerates dry periods and both heat and cold conditions. Absolutely stunning. Hardy in subtropics and temperate climates.



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Australian Elkhorn
P. hillii

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The beautiful green elkhorn. Grows in tropical north Queensland. Absolutely stunning.



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Australian Elkhorn
P. netherland

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A beautiful cultivar of *Platycerium bifurcatum*. Highly variable, epiphytic fern with upright, round to heart-shaped, medium to dark green then brown, sterile fronds, 5 to 18 inches long. Fertile fronds are gray-green, forked into 2 or 3 hairy, strap-shaped segments, to 36 inches long. Vigorous grower. Grow on a thick branch or in sphagnum peat moss. Absolutely stunning. Hardy in subtropics and temperate climates.

