

You are viewing one of thousands of biographies – click below for more, including Search box and access to Plant associated organisations.

[Plant Biographies](#)

[Bibliography](#)

Adiantum raddianum

[Synonyms : *Adiantum raddianum*, *Adiantum amabile*, *Adiantum boliviense*, *Adiantum colpodes*, *Adiantum cuneatum*, *Adiantum decorum*, *Adiantum moorei*, *Adiantum remyanum*, *Adiantum rubellum*, *Adiantum rufopunctatum*, *Adiantum tinctum*, *Adiantum werckleanum*]

DELTA MAIDENHAIR is an evergreen fern. Native to tropical America (particularly Brazil) and the Caribbean it has black stems bearing narrowly triangular, stiff green fronds. It is also known as *Cabello de Venus* (Spanish), *Capelvenere* (Italian), *Capillaire* (French), Delta maidenhair fern, *Frauenhaarfarn* (German), Maidenhair fern, *Netik raddiho* (Czech), *Snittadiantum* (Swedish), *Venushaar* (Dutch), and *Viheradiantumi* (Finnish). *Raddianum* commemorates an Italian botanist, Guisepppe Raddi (1770-1829). In 1817 he joined an Austrian scientific expedition to the Rio de Janeiro region of Brazil where he collected some plants, including ferns. This lasted about one year and on his return to Europe he published several papers. He then went on an expedition to Egypt but died during the journey home.

Silver-dollar fern is cultivated as an ornamental plant.

Medicinally, this fern has been used in Uruguay for controlling fertility.