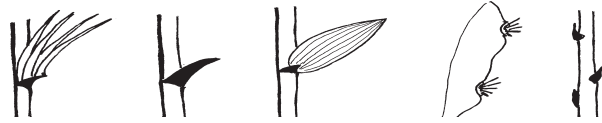


KEY TO GROUPS

- 1 Plants apparently leafless or leaves scale-like (sometimes fleshy).
GROUP 1 28, 75



1* Leaves normally developed.

- 2 Ferns (spores in scattered sori)GROUP 2 30, 78



2* Leaves *either* simple, 1-foliolate *or* variously compound, but if twice compound then with only 5–9 leaflets.



- 3 Leaves at least twice compound with more than 9 leaflets; leaves bipinnate, biternate to flammuliform (leaves divided into 5 primary segments and each of these divided again into 15 or more leaflets or segments).
GROUP 3 31, 80



3* Leaves *either* simple, 1-foliolate *or* variously compound, but if twice compound then with only 5–9 leaflets.



- 4 Leaf bases sheathing the stem *or* at least clasping stem and almost encircling it.....GROUP 4 32, 82



4* Leaf bases not sheathing *and* not clasping the stem for more than halfway.

- 5 Leaves simple *and* with 3 or more distinct longitudinal veins extending almost to the apex of the lamina. GROUP 5 34, 84

