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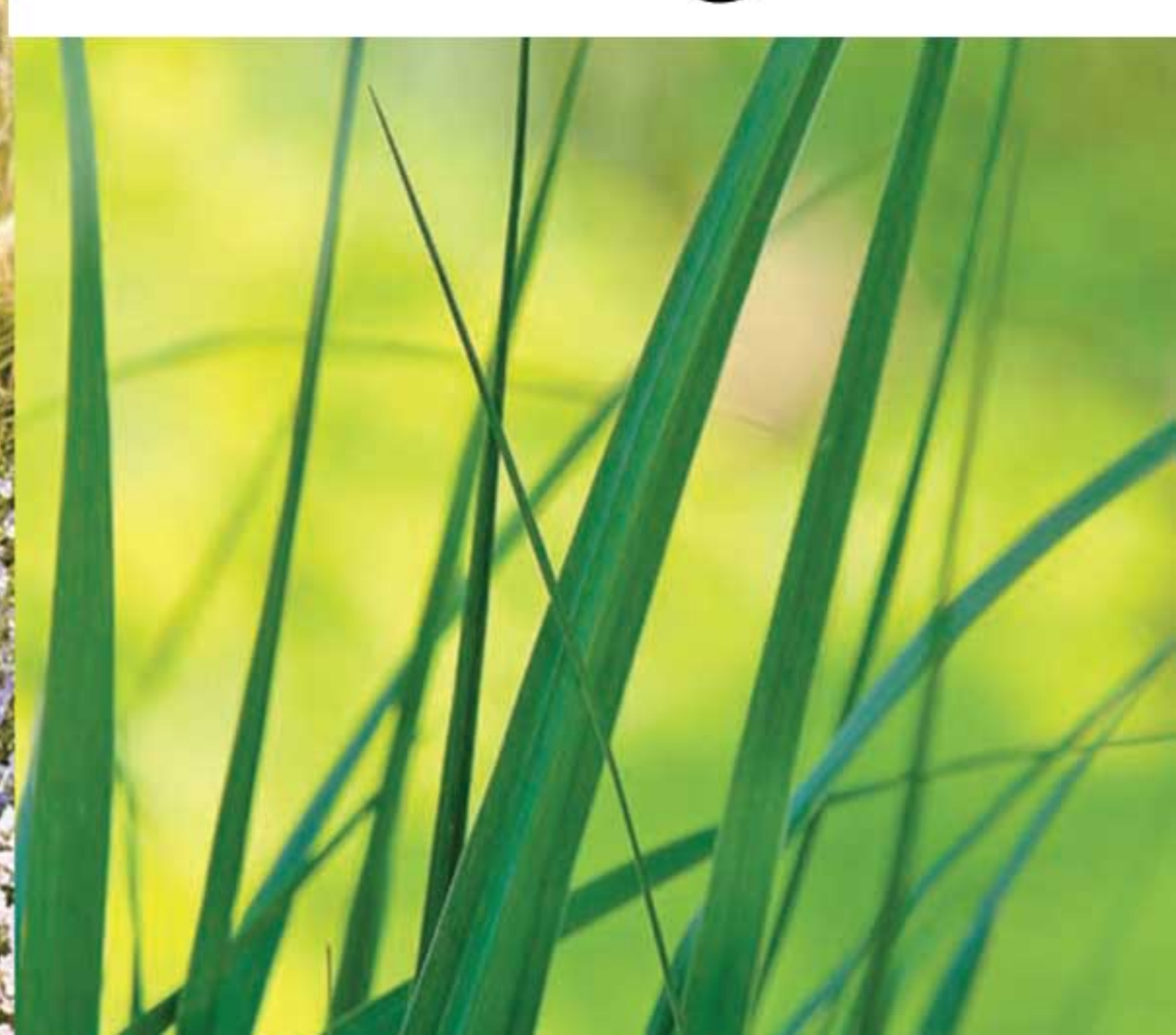
Ornamental Grasses



Karl Foerster Feather Reed Grass

Calamagrostis X acutiflora 'Karl Foerster'

4733

Beautiful cool season grass with an upright growth habit. Flowers in late spring starting as bright pink to red and fading to buff. Thrives in poor soils. Foliage height 2 1/2' - 3 1/2'with blooms to 6'.

Exposure: Sun Zone 4

Overdam Variegated Feather Reed Grass

Calamagrostis x acutiflora 'Overdam'

4422

Nicely variegated foliage with vertical white stripes. Grows in compact clumps 2' - 3' high with pink blooms to 6' high.

Exposure: Sun Zone 4

Variegated Japanese Sedge Grass

Carex morrowii aurea 'Variegata'

1738

A 12" mound of drooping, creamy yellow and green striped leaves. Great effect when used as a border or in a rock garden. An extremely drought tolerant ornamental grass.

Sun to Partial Shade Zone 5

Old Gold Japanese Sedge Grass

Carex oshimensis'Evergold'

1747

Brilliant yellow variegation graces this evergreen clumping Sedge. Does best in shade. Reaches a height of 12" - 15".

Sun to Partial Shade Zone 5

Elijah Blue Fescue

Festuca ovina glauca 'Elijah Blue'

2714

Hardy, bright blue, cool season grass. Mounded round habit makes it ideal for use as an edging or in masses. Foliage height is 6" - 8" with blooms to 18".

Partial Sun Zone 4

All Gold Japanese Forest Grass

Hakonechloa macra 'All Gold'

2814

A Japanese Forest Grass with intense golden foliage that is sure to stand out in a shady garden. Compared to other varieties, this cultivar grows more upright with a spikey texture. Will mature to 18" tall and wide.

Partial Shade Zone 5

Golden Variegated Japanese Forest Grass

Hakonechloa macra 'Aureola'

1458

This cool season dwarf grass is lush and graceful. The cascading, satin-like foliage is broad and variegated with cream, chartreuse and green. With moist, well drained soil, this slow-spreading plant works well as a specimen or groundcover.

Partial Sun Zone 5

Red Baron Japanese Blood Grass

Imperata cylindrica 'Red Baron'

3115

Clumping grass with blood red blades 12" - 18" tall. Striking when planted in mass where sunlight can radiate through its blades.

Partial Shade Zone 5

Blue Dune Lyme Grass

Leymus arenarius 'Blue Dune'

4508

An improvement over the species with much brighter blue foliage and stems. Very drought tolerant. Blooms readily throughout summer. Foliage height is 2′ with blooms 3′.

Sun — Zone 4

Big Blue Liriope

Liriope muscari 'Big Blue'

4350

Grass-like perennial forming a clump of strap-shaped, dark green leaves. Lilac buds and flower spikes appear in late summer, followed by black berries. Foliage height is 12″ - 15″ with blooms 15″ - 18″.

Sun to Shade — Zone 6

Variegated Liriope

Liriope muscari 'Variegata'

4380

Green and white striped grass-like leaves. Lilac blossoms in the summer. Foliage height is 12″ with blooms 15″.

Partial Sun — Zone 6

Silver Dragon Liriope

Liriope spicata 'Silver Dragon'

4372

Evergreen perennial with dark green, grass-like leaves with white vertical striping. Spreads by underground rhizomes. Foliage height is 10″ - 12″

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Partial Sun — Zone 6

Flame Grass

Miscanthus sinensis 'Purpurascens'

4502

Reddish-green wide leaves become redder in fall. Topped by smoke-like white blooms in fall. Foliage height is 3′ - 4′ with blooms 5′.

Sun — Zone 4

Adagio Dwarf Maiden Grass

Miscanthus sinensis 'Adagio'

4500

Compact and clump-forming grass with slender silvery foliage. Flowers emerge pink in summer, changing to silvery white. Foliage height is 3′ - 4′ with blooms 5′.

Sun — Zone 6

Maiden Grass

Miscanthus sinensis 'Gracillimus'

4450

A tall, graceful, and clumping Ornamental Grass with slender, weeping, and silvery green leaves that turn golden bronze in fall. White, fan-shaped plumes in fall extend above the foliage. Foliage height is 5′ with blooms 7′.

Sun — Zone 5

Little Zebra Maiden Grass (PP13008)

Miscanthus sinensis 'Little Zebra'

1110

Green and yellow banding on the foliage is held all season. Has the desirable trait of flowering during late summer so its lovely reddish purple plumes are borne reliably every year, even during seasons of cool weather. Grows to 3′ - 4′.

Sun — Zone 5

Porcupine Grass

Miscanthus sinensis ‘Strictus’

4457

Green leaves with yellow-colored horizontal bands make this Ornamental Grass stand out. Fast-growing 6′ - 8′ tall. Silvery white plumes rise 4′ above the foliage in fall. A good substitute for Zebra Grass.

Partial Sun — Zone 5

Variegated Japanese Silver Grass

Miscanthus sinensis ‘Variegatus’

4455

A creamy white variegated grass. Feathery seed heads contribute to the striking appearance of this grass. An excellent alternative to Pampas Grass. Shear after first frost for overwintering.

Partial Sun — Zone 5

Yaku Jima Dwarf Maiden Grass

Miscanthus sinensis ‘Yaku Jima’

4489

Compact selection with fine textured foliage that turns reddish brown in the fall and remains attractive well into winter. Silvery beige plumes provide additional accent in the fall. Foliage height is 3′ - 4′ with blooms 4′ - 5′.

Sun — Zone 5

Black Mondo Grass

Ophiopogon planiscapus ‘nigrescens’

3373

This evergreen perennial has dark purple to black leaves. Whitish pink flowers appear in late summer, followed by the setting of berries which are black. At maturity it can be up to 10″ tall.

Partial Shade — Zone 5

Shenandoah Switch Grass

Panicum virgatum ‘Shenandoah’

4424

Excellent selection of bright red switch grass, foliage and blooms begin to color up by early June. A good substitute for Japanese Blood Grass. Average height of 2′-3′.

Sun — Zone 4

Fountain Grass

Pennisetum alopecuroides ‘Hameln’

4729

A showy ornamental, deciduous perennial grass with slender 3 1/2′ leaves. Silvery-rose flower plumes are borne July through September. Drought tolerant.

Sun — Zone 5

Hameln Dwarf Fountain Grass

Pennisetum alopecuroides ‘Hameln’

4726

Deciduous perennial grass. A compact grower with tan colored bloom panicles
that appear from August through November. Drought tolerant.

Sun — Zone 5

Blue Heaven™ Little Bluestem (PP17310)

Schizachyrium scoparium ‘MinnblueA’

2221

The dark blue to burgundy foliage, turning red-purple and violet in the fall, is unique on this taller more upright form, 40″-48″ with a 25″-30″ width. Flowering in September, the fall color extends into winter.

Sun — Zone 4

The Blues Little Bluestem

Schizachyrium scoparium 'The Blues'

4743

A new selection with dusty blue foliage color on this drought-tolerant native grass. Mature size is 2' - 3' high.

Sun Zone 4

Prairie Dropseed

Sporobolus heterolepsis

1360

A magnificent fountain of fine-textured, emerald-green leaves, adding a touch of elegance to any planting. The seed head has a fragrance, often described as resembling a combination of fresh popcorn and cilantro. Grows 2'-4'.

Sun Zone 4

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