

Rolling Green Nursery

2011 Ornamental Grasses



subject to availability

Known for their 3- season interest, particularly fall and winter, ornamental grasses add drama to the landscape. One of my favorite family vacations took us to Longwood Gardens in late February where we heard the grasses moving in the wind, before we found Longwood's outstanding demonstration garden. We can thank Rick Darke, author of the Encyclopedia of Ornamental Grasses for that display garden. Look for Our Annual Grasses: 'Nasella tenuissima' and 'Pennisetum Rubrum'. Both give enormous bang in the summer and fall landscape or container.

FEATHER REED GRASS

Full sun to part shade.

calamagrostis 'Avalanche' *Variegated*

3 -4' White center, variegated foliage, fresh foliage is most variegated.

calamagrostis brachytricha *Korean*

3' Green foliage with pink feathery plumes in fall.

calamagrostis 'Eldorado' *Variegated*

3-5' Green and gold variegated foliage, flowers in May, well drained soil.

calamagrostis 'Karl Foerster' *Feather Reed Grass*

3' Green foliage, late spring flower plumes, stunning vertical accent, soil adaptable, PPA 2001 Plant of the Year.

SEDGE

carex chinensis 'Evergold' *Striped Weeping*

12" Bright gold foliage with narrow green margins. Plant with Hostas for beautiful contrast.

carex morrowii 'Ice Dance'

12" Green leaves with pure white edges, low maintenance, likes moist soil, shade to part shade.

carex 'Silver Sceptre'

12" Narrow leaves with white margins, silver appearance, clump forming, moist soil, shade to part shade.

chasmanthium latifolium *Northern Sea Oat*

4' Bamboo type foliage, drooping showy flowers, likes rich, moist soil, although very tolerant of varied soil types, part shade.

Festuca glauca 'Elijah Blue' *Blue Fescue*

8" Clumping powdery blue, fine textured, likes cool coast conditions nice accent in pots.

Hakonechloa macro 'Aureola'

Japanese Fountain Grass

18-24" Bright yellow foliage, really pretty in containers and shade gardens.

Helichotrichon sempervirens

Sapphire Blue Oat Grass

24" Very vigorous, slightly wider blue clumping foliage with flowers that turn golden in late summer, semi-evergreen, likes well-drained soil.

Luzula nivea *Snowy Woodrush*

12-16" Nice in moist shady woodland spot.

HOURS:

monday – saturday 8a – 5p
sunday 10a – 4p

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MAIDEN GRASS

Full sun.

Miscanthus 'Goldbar'

3-5' Gold banded leaves, shorter than strictus, tighter banding, compact, erect shape, red tinged flowers in fall.

Miscanthus 'Gracillimus'

5 - 6' Thin silver edged leaves, coppery flowers late in September, vase shaped, golden yellow fall color.

Miscanthus 'Huron Sunrise'

5 - 6' A Canadian introduction, medium width blades with silver mid-rib and profuse burgundy flowers in August.

Miscanthus 'Little Zebra'

3' Arching shape, foliage has vivid yellow banding, reddish plumes in September.

Miscanthus 'Morning Light'

4-5' Similar to Gracillimus but with narrow white variegation running along leaf margins, September flowers.

Miscanthus purpurescens

3-4' Green foliage, red-orange to dark red fall color, very hardy.

Miscanthus 'Sarabande'

4-6' Elegant silver-y foliage, produces golden-copper seed heads in August.

Miscanthus 'Siberfeder'

6-7' Quite cold hardy, silver midrib, arching shape.

Miscanthus 'Strictus' Porcupine Grass

4-6' Bright yellow horizontal bands, tight upright habit, hardy.

Miscanthus 'Little Zebra' and 'Little Nicky'

3-4' Compact forms. Bright yellow horizontal bands, tight upright habit, quite hardy.

Miscanthus variegatus

5-7' Green & white striped leaves, with flowers rising 12-24" above.

Miscanthus 'Yaku Jima'

3-4' New compact form, holds flower tight in foliage, August, red fall color.

SWITCH GRASS

Full Sun unless otherwise noted.

Panicum 'Dallas Blue'

5' Bright blue foliage, pink seed heads in August.

Panicum 'Northwind' Upright

4-5' Blue green foliage, upright growth habit, narrow panicles August-September, tolerates dry to boggy soil, sun to part sun.

Panicum 'Ruby Ribbons' Red

24 -30" Foliage emerges blue green warming up to a deeper ruby-red mid-summer, flower spikes in late summer.

Panicum 'Shenandoah' Red

3- 4' Red tinted foliage, flowers in July.

FOUNTAIN GRASS

Pennisetum alopecuroides Fountain Grass

3' Caterpillar-like flowers late July-September, likes moist, well drained soil.

Pennisetum 'Foxtrot' Giant Fountain Grass

4-5' Golden fall color.

Pennisetum alopecuroides 'Hameln'

Dwarf Fountain Grass

24-30" More compact than species.

Pennisetum 'Karley Rose'

Oriental Fountain Grass Z5,6

18-24" Green foliage, dusty-pink, fuzzy flowers, long blooming, pretty adorable.

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