

Mexican Feather Grass

Nassella tenuissima



Full sun/partial shade
2' X 2'
Clump forming
Fine-textured bright
Green arching leaves
Delicate seed heads,
Spring

Culture: This cool season bunchgrass is native to open areas and rocky slopes in Texas. It tolerates difficult soil, drought and partial shade, but prefers well-drained sunny sites. It tends to self-sow. Do not overwater.

Growth Habit: Mexican feather grass forms dense clumps of fine textured foliage that wave gracefully in the wind. This grass may go dormant in hot summers.

Bloom: The threadlike stems have airy inflorescences, Delicate Silver to tan-colored seed heads form in late spring to early summer.

Notes: Mexican Feather Grass is attractive planted in groupings or as a medium-sized border plant. It adds nice contrast to structures or woody plants. Shear it in late winter. It is also known as Stepa tenuissima and needle grass. Mexican Feather Grass can be viewed in the Master Gardener's demonstration Garden located behind Hood County Annex 1 on 1410 W. Pearl St. Granbury, Texas

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