







Plant Database – Ornamental Grasses

Grasses by Scientific Name

Scientific Name	Common Name	Comments
<p>Carex sp.</p> 	Ornamental Sedge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Usually a low (12"), clump forming grass • Many species and cultivars (mainly for variegated leaves) • Full sun
<p>Cortaderia selloana</p> 	Pampas Grass	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large (10'), clump forming grass • Full sun • Dramatic plumes • Invasive in western U.S.
<p>Festuca ovina 'Glauca'</p> 	Blue Fescue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small (8 to 10"), clump forming grass • Full sun • Selections for improved blue color; 'Elijah Blue', 'Boulder Blue' • May also be listed as <i>Festuca cinerea</i>
<p>Imperata cylindrica 'Red Baron'</p> 	Japanese Bloodgrass	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size: 15 to 18" • Leaves red in full sun • Spreads by rhizomes to form patch
<p>Miscanthus sinensis</p> 	Maiden Grass	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medium sized (4 to 5'), clump forming grass • Cultivars: 'Gracillimus', 'Zebrinus', 'Strictus'

<p>Pennisetum alopecuroides</p> 	Fountaingrass	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Low (18 to 24"), clump forming grass• Cultivars: 'Hameln', 'Moudry'
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