



NASSELLA TENUISSIMA (STIPA TENUISSIMA) MEXICAN FEATHER GRASS

This delightful little grass is soft and inviting, bringing a unique texture to any landscape. Light breezes turn this fine-textured and billowy grass into living sculpture. Mexican feather grass grows to 18 to 24 inches tall and wide, forming a clump of threadlike leaves and stems. In the warm months Mexican feather grass is a refreshing chartreuse color, changing to gold as the temperatures drop. Tuck it among boulders and accent plants for a softening effect. It is spectacular in mass plantings! At higher elevations it thrives in full sun, but appreciates light shade in the low deserts. It is fast-growing and fairly short lived, but naturalizes in the landscape. To keep reseeding to a minimum, water with a drip irrigation system and avoid planting in regions with high rainfall. Mexican feather grass can be cut back in early spring to remove dormant foliage and dried seed heads. It is native to New Mexico, Texas, Mexico and Argentina, at elevations from 5000 to 7000 feet. It is cold hardy to -10° F. USDA Zone 6.

AT A GLANCE SUMMARY

SIZE (H X W)	1-2 feet x 1-2 feet
FLOWER COLOR	Green
FLOWER SEASON	Summer
EXPOSURE	Full sun, part shade
WATER	Low
GROWTH RATE	Moderate
HARDINESS	-10° F, USDA Zone 6
PRUNING	Cut back in early spring



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