



PANICUM VIRGATUM 'PRAIRIE SKY' BLUE SWITCH GRASS

'Prairie Sky' is an excellent ornamental grass for desert landscapes. The one-inch wide, blue leaves provide a striking color contrast with green or silver foliage. 'Prairie Sky' grows to about 4-5 feet tall and wide. It sometimes exhibits a floppy form in wetter habitats. In late summer, profuse airy light grey flower spikes create a misty cloud above the foliage, drying to tan in the fall. Plant in full sun and provide supplemental irrigation in arid climates. Cut back annually, if needed, to maintain a dense form. 'Prairie Sky' has been growing happily in our test garden for over 3 years with no signs of self-sowing. Switch grasses are native to the Midwestern U.S. Root hardy to -20°

AT A GLANCE SUMMARY	
SIZE (H X W)	4-5 feet x 4-5 feet
FLOWER COLOR	Grey-Blue
FLOWER SEASON	Late summer
EXPOSURE	Full sun
WATER	Low to Moderate
GROWTH RATE	Fast
HARDINESS	-20° F, USDA Zone 4
PRUNING	Cut back in late winter



GRASS