

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 *Stipa 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**