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Blonde Ambition Blue Grama Grass

Bouteloua gracilis 'Blonde Ambition'

Height: 3 feet

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 4

Other Names: Mosquito Grass

Description:

This cultivar is noted for its distinctive arrangement of horizontal, eyelash-like chartreuse flowers that give way to blond seed heads that persist through winter; blue-green foliage turns hues of gold in fall; use as a border accent or groundcover



Blonde Ambition Blue Grama Grass flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Ornamental Features

Blonde Ambition Blue Grama Grass features airy spikes of chartreuse flowers rising above the foliage from mid to late summer. Its attractive grassy leaves are bluish-green in color. As an added bonus, the foliage turns a gorgeous gold in the fall.



Blonde Ambition Blue Grama Grass fruit
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Landscape Attributes

Blonde Ambition Blue Grama Grass is an herbaceous perennial grass with tall flower stalks held atop a low mound of foliage. It brings an extremely fine and delicate texture to the garden composition and should be used to full effect.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It is a good choice for attracting birds to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Blonde Ambition Blue Grama Grass is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens

Planting & Growing

Blonde Ambition Blue Grama Grass will grow to be about 30 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 feet. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 5 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen!

This plant should only be grown in full sunlight. It prefers to grow in average to dry locations, and dislikes excessive moisture. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in poor soils. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selection of a native North American species.



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