



# Grasses & Sedges

2024 Native Plant Sale

# Sideoats Grama

*Bouteloua curtipendula*

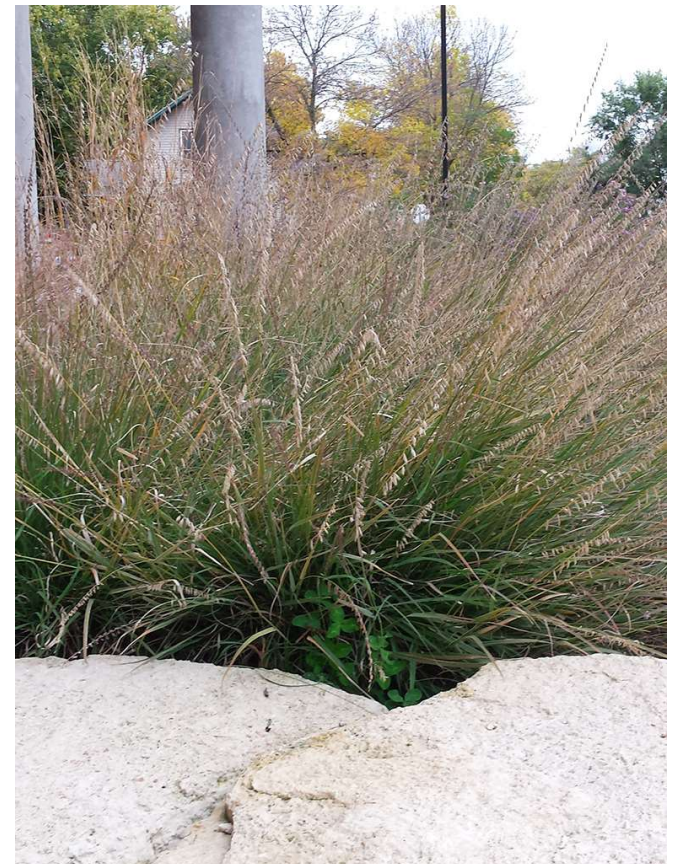
Communities: Dry Prairie, Dry Savanna

Sun: full to part sun

Height: 1 - 3 ft.

Flower Season: July - August

Notes: Named for delicate-looking seed that hangs from the side of the stem. Excellent for prairie gardens. It is a larval host for several species of skipper moths. Deer-resistant.



# Gray's Sedge

*Carex grayi*

Communities: Bioretention, Sedge Meadow, Wet Mesic Prairie

Sun: full sun to part shade

Height: 2 - 3 ft.

Flower Season: May - October

Notes: Produces large, mace-looking seedheads. Does poorly in dry soil.



# Straight-Styled Wood Sedge

*Carex radiata*

Communities: Wet Mesic Woods,  
Mesic Woods

Sun: full to part shade

Height: 1 ft.

Flower Season: April - May

Notes: Can be used as clumping  
ground cover or border.



# Fox Sedge

*Carex vulpinoidea*

Communities: Bioretention, Sedge Meadow, Wet Mesic Prairie

Sun: full to part sun

Height: 2 - 3 ft.

Flower Season: May - June

Notes: Grows well in a variety of conditions, including clay soils and wet sites. Forms clumps 2 - 3 feet wide. Can spread to form colonies.



# Northern Sea Oats

*Chasmanthium latifolium*

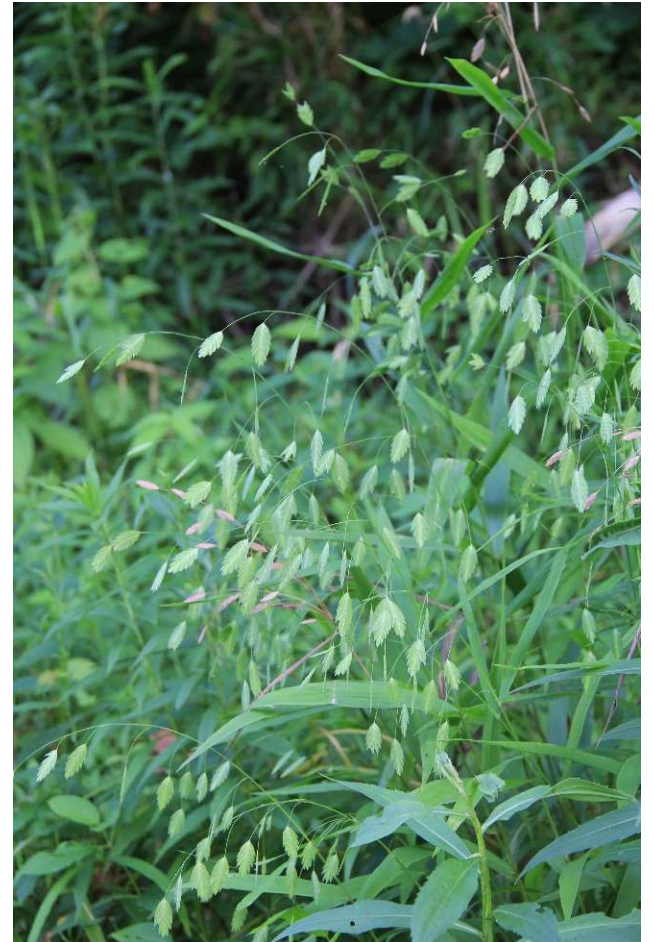
Communities: Mesic Woods

Sun: full to part shade

Height: 2 - 4 ft.

Flower Season: July - August

Notes: Reseeds easily and can spread quickly in ideal conditions. Dried seed heads are good for arrangements.



# Beakgrain

*Diarrhena obovata*

Communities: Mesic Woods

Sun: part sun to shade

Height: 2 - 3 ft.

Flower Season: June - October

Notes: Reseeds easily and can spread quickly in ideal conditions. Dried seed heads are good for arrangements.



# Switchgrass

*Panicum virgatum*

Communities: Bioretention, Wet  
Mesic Prairie

Sun: full sun

Height: 3 - 5 ft.

Flower Season: July - August

Notes: Can tolerate a variety of  
soils. Clump-forming. Foliage  
remains upright through the  
winter. Works well as a visual  
screen.





# Little Bluestem

*Schizachyrium scoparium*

Communities: Bioretention, Dry Prairie, Dry Savanna, Mesic Prairie, Mesic Savanna

Sun: full sun

Height: 2 - 3 ft.

Flower Season: Aug - Sep

Notes: Tolerates a variety of conditions. Bronze-orange fall color. Larval host for several species of skipper butterflies.



# Indian Grass

*Sorghastrum nutans*

Communities: Dry Prairie, Mesic Prairie

Sun: full sun

Height: 4 - 6 ft.

Flower Season: Aug - Sept

Notes: Vigorous bunch grass that tolerates a variety of soils. Bluish-green foliage that turns orange-yellow in fall. Golden brown seedhead. Can be used as native substitute for ornamental grasses, like *Miscanthus*.



# Prairie Dropseed

*Sporobolus heterolepis*

Communities: Bioretention, Dry Prairie, Mesic Prairie

Sun: full sun

Height: 1 - 3 ft.

Flower Season: July - September

Notes: Drought tolerant. Slow to establish. Fall color is tan/bronze.

