

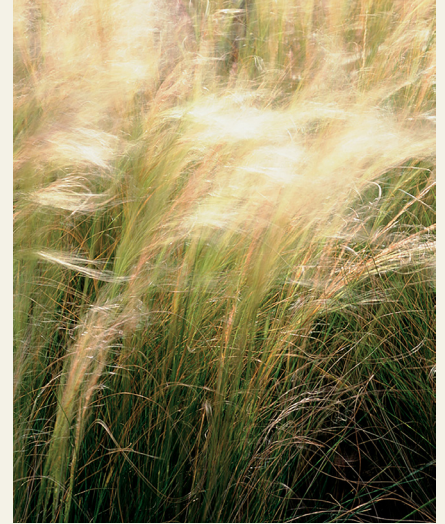


Nassella tenuissima

(Syn. Stipa tenuissima)

MEXICAN FEATHER GRASS

Soft, swaying bright green perennial grass. Popular ornamental grass with soft, thin bright green iridescent leaves. They grow in a tight vertical mound up to about a foot tall and spread slowly to about the same. In late spring seed heads form that top the entire plant with light blonde to tan feathery seed plumes, hence the common name. In colder climates they can go dormant with all the leaves turning a silvery blonde color. They make a magnificent statement when planted en masse, but even a few is visually pleasing. In their natural high desert environment they grow primarily as an understory plant to oaks and other trees. Give them more water in the summer to keep them happy. Or plant them with morning sun to afternoon shade. Like any ornamental grass, they are low maintenance.



DESCRIPTION

 UP TO 1 FT. X 1-2 FT.

 FULL TO PART SUN

 USDA ZONE 6-10

 MEXICO, NEW MEXICO,
AND TEXAS

 BLONDE

 MODERATE TO LOW

 TO -10°F