

HANSON'S GARDEN VILLAGE GRASS LIST FOR 2021

GRASSES	COLOR	HEIGHT	DESCRIPTION
FEATHER REED GRASS:			
Calamagrostis 'Avalanche'	Variegated	4'	Wide white centers and narrow green margins (opposite of Overdam), upright clumps are slightly shorter than Karl Foerster
Calamagrostis Brachytricha	Green	3-4'	Korean Feather Reed Grass, medium clumping grass with a more open form, fluffy bottlebrush-like plumes, gracefully arch, tolerates moist conditions
Calamagrostis 'Karl Foerster'	Green	4-5'	2001 Perennial Plant of the Year , attractive clumping grass with upright growth, feathery plumes mature to tan seed heads in fall
Calamagrostis 'Lightning Strike'	Variegated	3'	Foliage features broad central stripes of creamy white, edged in green
TUFTED HAIR GRASS:			
Deschampsia 'Pixie Fountain'	Green	1.5-3'	Showy, fine-textured, excellent in shady gardens, tight clumps of narrow foliage, dwarf, plumes of seeds in late summer that birds love
BLUE FESCUE GRASS:			
Festuca 'Elijah Blue'	Blue	10"	Forms short, rounded clumps of soft powder blue foliage, maintains good summer color
BLUE OAT GRASS:			
Helictotrichon Sempervirens	Silver-Blue	24"	Silver-blue color, nice tufting foliage with arching panicles in summer
TALL MOOR GRASS:			
Molinia 'Moorhexe'	Green	1.5-3'	Narrow, dark green, blades stand stiffly upright on clumped mounds, slender purplish brown seed heads bloom late summer and fall
Molinia 'Skyracer'	Green	7-8'	Wonderful gray-green basal leaves with towering stiff, upright stems, delicate open panicles of yellow flowers, graceful, long season of interest
SWITCH GRASS:			
Panicum 'Heavy Metal'	Blue	3-4'	Strongly vertical metallic-blue foliage will age to yellow in the fall, seed fronds tipped in copper persist for stunning winter interest
Panicum 'Hot Rod'	Green/Red	3-3.5'	Red Switch Grass, emerges blue green and quickly shifts to deep red, one of the earliest to turn red, purple fall foliage, red-purple seeds
Panicum 'Northwind'	Blue-Green	4-6'	2014 Perennial Plant of the Year, sturdy and upright form with blue-green foliage, vertical look, tan plumes in late summer, great fall interest
Panicum 'Shenandoah'	Green/Red	3'	Red Switch Grass, green spring upright foliage turns red by July and intensifies as summer progresses
LITTLE BLUESTEM GRASS:			
Schizachyrium 'Blue Heaven'	Blue-Green	3-4'	Taller, more upright habit that does not tend to flop, bright steel blue color, improved fall color
Schizachyrium 'Carousel'	Blue-Green	2-3'	Dwarf and uniquely rounded selection, fine green foliage and upright flowering stems turns to shades of copper, pink, tan and dark orange-red in fall
Schizachyrium 'Smoke Signal' - N/A 2021	Blue-Green	3-4'	Upright, tidy grower with blue-green foliage that turns red in late summer, then to reddish purple in the fall, wheat-colored seed heads in autumn
Schizachyrium 'Twilight Zone'	Blue-Green	4-4.5'	Silvery mauve in midsummer, retains color through the fall with brighter purple highlights, upright columnar habit
FROST GRASS:			
Spodiopogon sibiricus	Green	3-4.5'	Tropical looking grass for northern gardens, upright habit, airy purple panicles in late summer, looks like a short bamboo
PRAIRIE DROPSEED GRASS:			
Sporobolus heterolepis	Green	2'	Native Prairie Dropseed, clumping grass with tall statement seed heads in fall, good for birds
Sporobolus heterolepis 'Morning Mist'	Green	2-3'	Abundant blooms on sturdy red stems over cascading mounds of fine green blades, gold fall hue, more consistent in height and habit than the species
Sporobolus heterolepis 'Tara'	Green	1-2'	Compact variety, grows in a tight, vase shape, in late summer, airy, scented seed heads rise above the foliage and its blooms are uniform in height