

## Nassella tenuissima

### (Mexican Feather Grass)

Mexican Feather Grass is the most fine-textured grass. With light-green foliage, the slightest breeze will cause it to sway. This cool season ( don't cut back in the hot months) grass retains its color year-round, although it might brown out somewhat in the heat of the summer. Light, wheat-colored seed heads emerge in May. Mexican Feather Grass requires dry soil and full sun, and it is very drought tolerant. Nassella tenuissima is especially spectacular planted in decorative containers, as border plants. Sensitive for overwatering. Fertilizing with a slow-release, somewhat sensitive to fertilizer, especially in summer months.



Plant Image

#### Landscape Information

**French Name:** Cheveux d'ange

**Plant Type:** Groundcover

**Origin:** Southwest US, Mexico and Argentina

**Heat Zones:**

**Hardiness Zones:** 7, 8, 9, 10

**Uses:** Hedge, Border Plant, Mass Planting, Container, Erosion control, Intensive Green Roof, Ground cover

#### Size/Shape

**Growth Rate:** Moderate

**Tree Shape:** Upright

**Height at Maturity:** 0.5 to 1 m

**Spread at Maturity:** 0.5 to 1 meter

**Time to Ultimate Height:** 1 to 2 Years

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Flower Image

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### **Botanical Description**

#### **Foliage**

**Leaf Arrangement:** Spiral

**Leaf Venation:** Parallel

**Leaf Persistence:** Evergreen

**Leaf Type:** Simple

**Leaf Blade:** 50 - 80

**Leaf Shape:** Linear

**Leaf Margins:** Entire

**Leaf Textures:** Rough

**Leaf Scent:** No Fragrance

**Color(growing season):** Green

**Color(changing season):** Green

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#### **Fruit**

**Fruit Type:** Caryopsis/Grain

**Fruit Showiness:** False

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Leaf Image

### Horticulture Management

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#### Tolerance

**Frost Tolerant:** Yes

**Heat Tolerant:** Yes

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#### Requirements

**Soil Requirements:** Loam, Sand

**Soil Ph Requirements:** Neutral

**Water Requirements:** Low

**Light Requirements:** Full

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#### Management

**Toxicity:** No

**Invasive Potential:** No

**Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases:** No

**Diseases:** Leaf Spots

**Edible Parts:** None

**Pests:** Aphids

**Plant Propagations:** Division

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Fruit Image



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