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Muhlenbergia capillaris - Growing Guide

Growing Muhlenbergia Capillaris

Muhly grass

This is a perennial clump forming grass from the prairies of America which is fully frost hardy. These plants grow well in a hot, dry, sunny spot in the garden where the soil is well drained.

M. capillaris is a densely tufted grass which forms a mound of linear dark green leaves which grow to about 12in in height. In autumn this grass produces open panicles of pink spikelets or flowers on stems of up to 15-20in in height. The contrast between the pink and the dark green is very effective when grown in a mass of clumps especially at this time of the year. The individual clumps will eventually extend to around 3ft in width.

This is an easy grass to grow and easily lifted and divided with a spade in the spring to create new clumps. The seed can also be sown in the spring when temperatures warm up.



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