

Plant Name: Pennisetum Villosum cream falls fountain grass AGM
Common Name: Pennisetum cream falls fountain

Plant Type: Grass

Colour: Graceful creamy-white bracts

Height: 45-60cm

Spread: 50-60cm

Flowering Time: Flowers from Jun to Nov

Cutflower: Yes



Species Data (applies to all plants in this Plant Species)

P. villosum is one of the easiest and most visually stunning grasses to grow. Brilliant white, rabbit-tail spikes are produced in abundance from bushy, clump-forming deciduous plants. Eye-catching and early to flower in borders or large containers.

The grassy clumps may initially disappoint you but then comes the gorgeous display of arching stems, each one ending in a perfectly formed fluffy head of long white awns or 'bunny tails'. The flowers last throughout summer and well into winter.

It is a fairly tender perennial often used as an annual.

It is hardy down to about -5°C, so if planted in a sheltered spot, should survive the winter.

Plant Data (applies to THIS plant only)

Tender Perennial, treated as an Annual

Flowers: Graceful creamy-white bracts. June to frost.

Foliage: Clump-forming, Green in Summer

Height: 45-60cm (18-24")

Spread: 50-60cm (20-24")

Position: Full sun to partial shade.

Aspect: All aspects. Exposed or Sheltered

Soil: Light, moderately fertile, moist but well-drained soil.

It has been awarded the prestigious RHS Award of Garden Merit (AGM).

Aftercare:

Cut back old foliage in spring as new growth appears in the centres of plants.

Feed in summer with single dressing of a dilute general fertiliser. Even without an annual feed, most grasses will put on a first-rate show. The more nitrogen grasses receive the greener and further they'll grow. Do not over do it...their spreading habit is fine in a field, but in a garden they may become too lush and the flower quality may suffer.

Drying:

Cream Falls can be dried and make interesting focal or secondary flowers in dried arrangements. To dry, cut the flower at the height of bloom and hang upside down in a cool, dark place to dry.

Plant Uses:

Beds and borders, City, Containers, Cottage/Informal, Foliage only, Prairie planting. Flower arrangements. Low Maintenance or Mediterranean