

# African fountain grass 'Rubrum'

*Pennisetum setaceum* 'Rubrum' Also known as: **Purple fountain grass 'Rubrum', *Pennisetum ruepellii* 'Rubrum'**

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This description is for species *African fountain grass* (*Pennisetum setaceum*):

*Pennisetum setaceum* or African fountain grass is a beautiful ornamental grass that features upright or gently arching slender blades. The flower panicles range from purplish-pink to ivory in colour. They are elongated and resemble soft bristle brushes. African fountain grass should be planted in areas of full sunlight within loamy or sandy soil that offers good drainage. This is a versatile grass that can be used to good effect in a variety of garden designs. Place it within courtyard gardens or city gardens, it also works well in coastal or cottage gardens. This is an excellent low-maintenance plant for beds and borders or for edging and it can also be grown in containers.



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Plant	Environment	Usage
<b>Known dangers?</b> no	<b>Acidity</b> Acidic Neutral Alkaline	<b>Standard category</b> Flowers & bulbs Perennials
<b>Height [m]</b> 0.9 - 1.5	<b>Hardiness zone</b> Z8-11	<b>Grown for</b> Ornamental Foliage
<b>Spread [m]</b> 0.3 - 0.6	<b>Heat zone</b> H12-8	<b>Creative category</b> Kid Approved Fast growing For Beginners

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<b>Dominant flower colour</b> Pink	<b>Winter temperatures [°C]</b> -12 - 4	<b>Garden type</b> Cottage garden Coastal City Prairies
<b>Flower Fragrance</b> No, neutral please	<b>Heat days</b> 90 - 210	<b>Garden spaces</b> Flower beds Cut flowers Borders
<b>Flowering seasons</b> Early spring Mid spring Late spring Early summer Mid summer Late summer Early autumn Mid autumn	<b>Moisture</b> well-drained	<b>Gardening expertise</b> beginner
<b>Foliage in spring</b> Red shades	<b>Soil type</b> sandy chalky loams	<b>Time to reach full size</b> 1 to 2 years
<b>Foliage in summer</b> Red shades	<b>Sun requirements</b> Full sun	
<b>Foliage in Autumn</b> Red shades	<b>Exposure</b> Exposed Sheltered	
<b>Foliage in winter</b> Brown or bronze		
<b>Propagation methods</b> seed division		
<b>Growth habit</b> Clump-forming		