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Arrow bamboo

Pseudosasa japonica Also known as: **Metake**

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This description is for **Arrow bamboo** (*Pseudosasa japonica*):

Commonly called arrow bamboo, *pseudosasa japonica* is arguably one of the most attractive species of bamboo you can find. A tough, evergreen grass, its culms are tall and very slender, while its light green foliage comprises long and narrow, sword-shaped, glossy leaves. At any time of year, it can produce tiny brown blossoms. A vigorous spreader, the arrow bamboo makes for a perfect natural garden screen or unusual hedging. It thrives in fertile, moist but well-drained soil, preferably in partial shade, but may need some balanced fertilizer in summer to ensure it develops fully. Severely pruning after flowering will encourage healthy growth.



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Plant	Environment	Usage
Known dangers? no	Acidity Acidic Neutral Alkaline	Standard category Grasses, ferns & bamboo Bamboos
Height [m] 4 - 8	Hardiness zone Z6-15	Grown for Ornamental use
Spread [m] 2.5 - 4	Heat zone H5	Creative category For Beginners Bonsai Neighbour repellent For every season Author's choice

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Dominant flower colour Inconspicuous or absent	Winter temperatures [°C] -23 - 0	Garden type Coastal
Flower Fragrance No, neutral please	Moisture well-drained well-drained but frequently watered	Garden spaces Architectural Hedges and screens
Foliage in spring Green	Soil type sandy Clay loams	Gardening expertise beginner
Foliage in summer Green	Sun requirements Full sun Partial shade	Time to reach full size up to 20 years
Foliage in Autumn Green	Exposure Exposed Sheltered	
Foliage in winter Green		
Awards? Yes, let it smell		
Propagation methods division root cuttings		
Growth habit Clump-forming		