



# MUHLENBERGIA DUMOSA

## Bamboo Muhly



Low to moderate water



Full sun to part shade



Attracts butterflies



Native to S. AZ & Sonora, Mexico

### Why we love it...

Bamboo muhly is a graceful, ornamental grass that resembles bamboo with its slender woody stems and arching leaf blades. It is a great alternative to the water-hogging and invasive true Bamboos for placement around pools, ponds, or other water features.

Although this fast growing, clumping grass spreads by rhizomes, it is easy to contain and keep under control. It is quite drought tolerant, but regular watering keeps it green and attractive. Bamboo muhly grows well in both the ground and container plantings which can make a surprisingly dramatic statement. For landscape plantings, consider pairing with Texas ranger or Arizona yellow bells for bright color on top of the soft texture of bamboo muhly.



**Lydia says:** Bamboo muhly will grow in a variety of soils, but does best in one that stays moist; but not soggy, and drains well.

### Perennial:

### *Muhlenbergia dumosa*

**Size (H x W):** 3-6 feet by 3-6 feet

**Blooms:** Inconspicuous in fall and winter

**Exposure:** Full sun to part shade

**Hardiness Zone:** 10° F, USDA Zone 7

**Water:** Low to moderate

**Pruning:** every 2-5 years in late winter to early spring

**Growth Rate:** Moderate to fast



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