

### GRASSES

Name	Scientific Name	height (ft)	bloom time	color	moisture	sun	notes
Big Bluestem	<i>Andropogon gerardii</i>	3-8			M/D	F/P	Erosion control use, preferred by livestock, beneficial to birds, clump-forming
Bottlebrush Grass	<i>Hystrix patula</i>	2-3			M/D	F/P	Ornamental grass, bristly flower heads resemble a bottle brush
Canada Wild Rye	<i>Elymus canadensis</i>	2-5			M/D	F/P	Cool season, clump-forming ornamental grass, wheat/rye likespikes that remain well into winter, excellent ground coverfor dry, sunny slopes
Indian Grass	<i>Sorghastrum nutans</i>	3-4			M/D	F/P	Showy clump-forming, often used in wind erosion control, tolerates a moderate amount of salt, may become invasive if not maintained
June Grass							
Little Bluestem	<i>Schizachyrium scoparium</i>	2-5			M/D	F	Ornamental grass, distinctive "blue" coloration at the base of the stems, attractive reddish brown fall color
Prairie Cord Grass	<i>Spartina pectinata</i>	4-6			W/M	F	Aquatic grass that grows well in regular drained soil, good fall yellow color, great plumes, can be aggressive
Prairie Dropseed							
Side Oats Grama							
Sweet Grass							
Switch Grass	<i>Panicum virgatum</i>	3-6			W/M	F/P	Clump-forming ornamental grass, erosion control, establishes readily from seed

**Key:**

**W/M/D denotes Wet/Moderate/Dry moisture requirements**

**blue background indicates a recommended species for rain gardens**