

# Imperata cylindrica



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**Botanical Name:** Imperata cylindrica

**Common Names:** Blady Grass, Cogon Grass, Japanese Bloodgrass,

**Native:** Yes

**Foliage Type:** Evergreen

**Plant Type:** Palms, Ferns & Tropical

**Plant Habit:** Spreading, Tufting, Upright, Upright Narrow

**Description:**

An Australian native grass that is also native to Asia and South Africa. Can be a weedy species as it will spread very fast especially in tropical regions. Naturally occurring in Australia along the east coast of New South Wales. It has long narrow grass like blades with a pointed edge and tall feathery seed heads that can reach up to 1.5m tall. This grass has many uses from stabilising soil, roof thatching, paper making, weaving and in Chinese medicine.

**Mature Height:** 1-2m      **Position:** Full Sun, Semi Shade

**Mature Width:** 1-2m      **Soil Type:** Any

**Landscape Use(s):** ErosionControl, Low Water Garden, Mass Planting, Wetlands

**Pest & Diseases:**

Generally trouble free

**Plant Care:**

TBA

**Family Name:** Poaceae

**Origin:** Australia

**Characteristics:**

**Foliage Colours:** Green

**Flower Colours:** Cream, White

**Flower Fragrant:** No

**Flowering Season:** Spring, Summer

**Fruit:** TBA

**Requirements:**

**Growth Rate:** Fast

**Maintenance Level:** Low

**Water Usage:** Low

**Tolerances:**

**Drought:** High

**Frost:** High

**Wind:** High

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