Dwarf Sharp Edge Sedge

Cyperus haspan 'Viviparus'



Dwarf Sharp Edge Sedge foliage
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Height: 18 inches

Spread: 18 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 8

Description:

This variety is a semi-aquatic, grass-like plant producing short green stems with green bracts; perfect for pond side planting or in wet areas of the garden; doesn't mind being submerged at the base

Ornamental Features

Dwarf Sharp Edge Sedge's attractive grassy leaves remain green in color throughout the season on a plant with an upright spreading habit of growth.

Landscape Attributes

Dwarf Sharp Edge Sedge is an herbaceous perennial with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Dwarf Sharp Edge Sedge is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Water Gardens
- Container Planting
- Bog Gardens

Planting & Growing

Dwarf Sharp Edge Sedge will grow to be about 18 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 18 inches. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen!

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in moist to wet soil, and will even tolerate some standing water. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selection of a native North American species. It can be propagated by division; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Dwarf Sharp Edge Sedge is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a canvas of foliage against which the larger thriller plants stand out. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.