Ghost Bamboo

Dendrocalamus minor 'Amoenus'



Ghost Bamboo stems
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Height: 25 feet

Spread: 10 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 9

Other Names: Angel Mist Bamboo

Description:

A rare bamboo featuring yellow-green culms with darker green striations; grows gracefully erect, producing lovely fine green foliage; mature clumps do not produce lower branches; perfect for the garden, along walkways, or as screening

Ornamental Features

Ghost Bamboo's attractive narrow pinnately compound leaves remain green in color throughout the year on a plant with a round habit of growth.

Landscape Attributes

Ghost Bamboo is an herbaceous evergreen perennial with a more or less rounded form. It brings an extremely fine and delicate texture to the garden composition and should be used to full effect.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Ghost Bamboo is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting



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Planting & Growing

Ghost Bamboo will grow to be about 25 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 10 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 2 feet from the ground. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 50 years or more. As an evegreen perennial, this plant will typically keep its form and foliage year-round.

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. 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.

Ghost Bamboo is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its height, it is often used as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.



Ghost Bamboo foliage
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