# Seoulitary Man Mondo Grass

***Ophiopogon japonicus 'Seoulitary Man'***



*Seoulitary Man Mondo Grass*
*Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder*

Height: 12 inches

Spread: 20 inches

Spacing: 18 inches

Sunlight: ◐ ●

Hardiness Zone: 6

**Description:**

A clumping mound of very narrow, dark blue-green foliage; tiny, pale lavender flowers in spring are followed by blue berries in fall; a rich, textural groundcover for shady areas; not actually a grass but more closely related to lilies

**Ornamental Features**

Seoulitary Man Mondo Grass has masses of beautiful spikes of lavender bell-shaped flowers held atop the stems from late spring to early summer, which are most effective when planted in groupings. Its attractive glossy grassy leaves remain bluish-green in color throughout the year. It features an abundance of magnificent blue berries from late summer to early fall.

**Landscape Attributes**

Seoulitary Man Mondo Grass is a dense herbaceous evergreen perennial grass with a mounded form. It brings an extremely fine and delicate texture to the garden composition and should be used to full effect.

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.

Seoulitary Man Mondo Grass is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Container Planting

**Planting & Growing**

Seoulitary Man Mondo Grass will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 20 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 18 inches apart. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. As an evegreen perennial, this plant will typically keep its form and foliage year-round.

This plant does best in partial shade to full shade. Keep it well away from hot, dry locations that receive direct afternoon sun or which get reflected sunlight, such as against the south side of a white wall. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. This plant should not require much in the way of fertilizing once established, although it may appreciate a shot of general-purpose fertilizer from time to time early in the growing season. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. 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.

Seoulitary Man Mondo Grass 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 mass of flowers and foliage against which the 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.