Weeping Brown Sedge

Carex flagellifera

Plant Height: 12 inches

Flower Height: 20 inches

Spread: 18 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐ ●

Hardiness Zone: 4

Other Names: Rush

Description:

Grown for delicate ornamental bronze colored foliage carried all season long; great in a moist border in shade or sun, does not like to dry out

Ornamental Features

Weeping Brown Sedge is primarily valued in the garden for its cascading habit of growth. Its attractive grassy leaves remain brown in color throughout the year.

Landscape Attributes

Weeping Brown Sedge is an herbaceous evergreen perennial grass with a shapely form and gracefully arching stems. 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.

Weeping Brown Sedge is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens
- Container Planting



Weeping Brown Sedge
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Weeping Brown Sedge foliage
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Planting & Growing

Weeping Brown Sedge will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity extending to 20 inches tall with the flowers, with a spread of 18 inches. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 7 years. As an evegreen perennial, this plant will typically keep its form and foliage year-round.

This plant performs well in both full sun and full 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 species is not originally from North America. It can be propagated by division.

Weeping Brown Sedge is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. It can be used either as 'filler' or as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, depending on the height and form of the other plants used in the container planting. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.