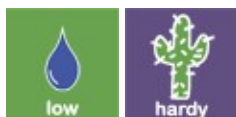


**plant type**

- plant
- native and ornamental grasses

**water      hardiness**



# Austrostipa ramosissima

## native princess spear grass

tall branching tussock grass with long elegant seed heads



**top ten**

bird attracting  
coastal gardens  
drought tolerant  
flowers and showy seed heads  
frost tolerant  
suited to pots  
verge planting

<b>origin</b>	nsw, qld
<b>cultural notes</b>	full sun or part shade, most soil conditions, fast growing, long lived, very hardy
<b>maintenance</b>	may be pruned annually to encourage new growth
<b>tolerates</b>	wet or boggy areas, drought conditions
<b>flowering season</b>	spring to summer
<b>flower colour</b>	large creamy feather like heads on flower spikes up to 50cm width
<b>foliage colour</b>	bottle green, with occasional white horizontal stripes
<b>height</b>	up to 1.5m
<b>plant spacing</b>	200cm apart for specimen and 100cm apart for hedging
<b>recommended uses</b>	Attractive background plant, Ideal for rockeries.

**project type**

urban and commercial  
residential

**ecosystem type**

coastal hinterland  
woodland  
riparian

**soil type and drainage**

light - sandy soils  
medium - loamy soils  
heavy - clay soils  
good drainage  
reasonable drainage