

plant type

- native and ornamental grasses
- wetland plants

water hardiness



Pennisetum alopecuroides

swamp foxtail grass

A clump forming perennial grass to 1m in height and 60cm in width. Rough textured mid to dark green leaves and feathery, yellowy-green to purple flowerheads to 14cm in length.



top ten

bog gardens
coastal gardens

project type

urban and commercial
residential
wetland

ecosystem type

wetland
riparian

soil type and drainage

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

origin	There is current debate as to whether this species is native to Australia or not.
cultural notes	Naturally occurring in moist boggy areas and along watercourses. Prefers full sun.
maintenance	This species self-seeds readily and can become invasive.
tolerates	Tolerant of frost, poor soils and inundation.
flowering season	Summer and Autumn.
flower colour	Feathery yellow-green to purple flowerheads to 20cm in length, held above the foliage on erect stems to 1m.
foliage colour	Gracefully arching mid to dark green linear foliage to 80cm in length. Rough in texture.
width	up to 0.6m
height	up to 1m
water depth	edges and marshland
plant spacing	30cm apart
recommended uses	An attractive wet area plant. This plant is potentially invasive. Before planting, contact the local council or land care in the area to check the local status of this plant.