

Chee reedgrass

Calamagrostis epigeios

Description

It is commonly used as an ornamental grass in gardens.

Habit

Grows to a height of 2 m.

Leaves

Simple, opposite, hairless, linear, entire margins.

Stems

Upright; rigid; hollow.

Flowers

Arranged in panicles, single floret and generally purple or purple-brown in color, spikelets are clustered into inflorescences.

Fruits and Seeds

Fruits are caryopses.

Habitat

Native to Europe, Asia; grows in loamy, sandy or pebbly soil, clay, moist soils.

Reproduction

Vegetatively through rhizomes, stolons or caespitose.





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Monitoring and Rapid Response

Monitor wetlands, ditches and moist sites, particularly adjacent to areas which receive nutrient rich run-off or road salt. Burning, mowing, discing and digging may stimulate populations. Foliar herbicide treatment in late summer or fall provides effective control for large dense areas.

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