

Carex barbarae
Santa Barbara Sedge

PERRENIAL (grasslike)

3–5' high, 2–3' spread.

Clumping.

Wide, flattened triangular leaves emerge from sheaths with purple fronts.

Spikes of small flowers on stout stem.

Native habitat: mainly on slopes associated with wetlands below 3000' – throughout California to Oregon, except desert areas.

Full sun to part shade.

Best in moist, loamy soil.

Tolerant of heat and drought, once established.

Good background or around ponds. Useful for riparian restoration.

Traditionally used for basket weaving.

