

*Elymus triticoides* (*Leymus triticoides*)  
Beardless Wild Ryegrass



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PERENNIAL BUNCH GRASS

2 - 4' high.

Dense, spreading by creeping rhizomes.

Narrow, flatish, blue-green leaves.

Narrow, 4 - 6" long spikes of florets - June to July.

Native habitat: moist and alkaline meadows below 7500' - from coast to mountains throughout California.

Full sun to light shade.

Frost resistant.

Prefers moist soils. Can tolerate drought, but may go dormant.

With irrigation will stay green until first frost.

Excellent for mass plantings and erosion control.

Can be aggressive for small gardens and borders.

