

Nassella lepida

Foothill Needlegrass

PERENNIAL BUNCHGRASS

2 – 3' high, 2' wide.

Leaves fine, dull gray-green.

Dry leaves persist into winter.

Delicate flower/seed heads in loose nodding panicles, 6 - 8" - spring.

Native habitat: coastal sage scrub, chaparral, oak grassland - dry slopes below 4000' , Baja California to northern California, Channel Islands.

Full sun to part shade. Frost resistant.
Water 1 x /month. Puts out new leaves with water, even in late summer.

Accent plant, meadows. Shimmering, graceful.

Mow to crown when plant needs rejuvenating.



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