



# SIDEOATS GRAMA

## PRIMARY USES

Blue grama produces high quality, nutritious forage that is relished by all classes of livestock. It is also great for erosion control along highways and sloped areas, cover between orchards, landscaping and ornamental arrangements.

## DESCRIPTION

Sideoats Grama, *Bouteloua curtipendula*, is a native warm-season, sod forming grass with fine leaves and oat like seeds hanging down one side of the stem. It has a bluish-green color, sometimes with a purplish cast and cures to a reddish-brown or straw color. This plant is very long lived, growing best on upland soils and spreads readily by seeds and rhizomes. This grass is one of the most drought tolerant among the natives.

## PLANTING/SWING GUIDE

USDA recommends planting 1.5 pls/acre for grazing or hay. 2.0 pls/1000 Sq. Feet is recommended for turf or yards.

## VARIETIES

- Butte
- El Reno
- Pierre
- Trailway

## BENEFITS

- Perennial
- Very long lived
- Adapted to a broad range of soil types
- Very self-reliant
- Fairly tolerant to spring flooding along with other stressors
- Moderately Drought tolerant



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