## Bothriochloa laguroides

## Silver Bluestem, Silver Beard Grass



**Plant type:** Perennial warm season grass

Season of Interest: Late summer to winter

Height: 2-3' Spread: 2' Water needs: Low, xeric

Native Region: CO, AZ, KS, NE, NM, OK, TX, UT

**Elevation:** to 6,200'

**Important to know:** Larval host to Skippers & Satyrs.

Thrives in sunny, dry gardens; provides winter forage for birds



**Habitat:** Plains, shortgrass prairie, rocky slopes,

roadsides



**Ease of Propagation: Easy** 

**Propagation**: In mid-March-mid May, sow outside in cells or in situ and cover very lightly (protect seeds from birds). The seeds do not require pretreatment (cold stratification:), but they germinate best when they are exposed to large temperature swings (70-90°F with nights 35-45°F). Seeds will germinate in 2 months.



