## Bouteloua curtipendula

## **Side-oats Grama**



**Plant type:** Perennial warm season bunchgrass

Season of Interest: Mid-summer to early fall

**Height:** 18-30" **Spread:** 2-3'

Water needs: Low

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

**Elevation:** to 7,000'; cultivated to 9,000'

Important to know: Vigorous self-seeder. Can overpower

small gardens.



Maintenance: Low

Characteristics: Cut flowers, showy

**Garden Uses:** Beds/borders, ground cover

**Habitat:** Plains, foothills, Sagebrush, Pinyon-

Juniper

## **Ease of Propagation: Easy**

**Propagation**: Store seeds dry at 40°F. In mid-March – mid-May, sow outside in cells or in situ (protect seeds from birds). Cover to depth. The seeds do not require a 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 2-7 weeks.



