

# El Dorado Feather Reed Grass



Low  
Maintenance  
and drought  
tolerant!



## *Calamagrostis acutiflora* 'El Dorado'

- **Use:** Showy ornamental grass with narrow white-striped foliage that shimmers in sunlight. Feathery plumes arise in summer, providing wonderful cool-season interest as they age to a golden wheat hue. Use to create a vertical accent in landscape or containers, or plant en masse toward the back of the garden. Sways gracefully in the lightest breeze. A row or a mass planting is spectacular on a windy day! Deer resistant! Particularly attractive along a woodland edge. Works well as a specimen or incorporated into a border; makes a good low screen, especially in somewhat shady areas.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Full sun; moist to wet fertile soil; tolerates a wide range of soil types including dry sandy soil; thrives in clay soil.
- **Growth:** Reaches 4 to 5 ft. tall, 2 to 2½ ft. wide.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 4-9, Perennial
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Foliage is variegated green/golden medium blade width. Cut back in February to 1' tall before new growth starts.
- **Flower:** Feathery loose purple tinged flowers on stalks to 6 feet tall in summer that age to a buff color by late summer. Flowers often remain erect despite heavy snowfall.