

Autumn Light Maiden Grass



Low Maintenance. A large specimen with a full, arching form. Narrow green leaves give it a delicate appearance despite its large size. Blooms appear in September and fall foliage can be very beautiful. !



Miscanthus sinensis 'Autumn Light'

- **Use:** Blooming later than many other varieties, Autumn Light shows off crimson-red flowers atop sturdy 7-foot stems that turn creamy white as they age. Plant toward the back of the perennial border, in a shrub border, or as a specimen plant in the landscape.
- **Great specimen or used in groups as a screen.**
- **Exposure/Soil:** Full sun– part sun. Drought tolerant once established. Needs at least 4 hours afternoon sun. Easily grown in average, medium moisture, well-drained soil in full sun to part shade. Tolerant of a wide range of soils from well-drained sandy soils to the heavy clays present in much of GA.
- **Growth:** Grows 4 to 6 feet – and 4 to 5 feet wide.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 5-9, Perennial
- **Foliage:** Deciduous This grass features a dense clump of upward-arching stems and leaves which give it a rounded, fountain-like appearance. Linear leaves (to 3-4' long and 3/8" wide) have tapered tips, serrate margins and whitish to silvery midribs. Foliage often turns attractive shades of yellow to orange by mid-fall before gradually fading to beige-tan for winter. Foliage should be left standing throughout the winter for visual interest and crown protection. Cut foliage close to the ground in late winter to 6" tall just before new shoots appear. Propagate by division of the crown.
- **Flower:** Pink to red flowers in feathery, whisk-like, loose terminal panicles (8-10" long) bloom above the foliage from late August to October. Flower panicles gradually turn beige by mid-fall as the seeds mature. Flower panicles and foliage both retain good arching shape, beige color and ornamental interest throughout winter, with enhanced attractiveness often coming from a covering of new fallen snow. Mulch helps prevent re-seeding.