## Lindheimer's Muhly







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- <u>Use:</u> A heat- and drought-tolerant southwestern native grass that also performs well in the Southeast. It is easy, undemanding, and surprisingly ornamental. Its lovely blooms and upright shape make it a great specimen, or plant Lindheimer's Muhly in sweeps for a stunning display. Muhlenbergia lindheimeri was named for Jacob Ferdinand Lindheimer, a German-born naturalist who has been called the father of Texas botany. Adapted to reflected heat, dry sites and poor soils.
  - **Exposure/Soil:** Full sun-part shade. Well-drained soil, not soggy. If you have red clay we recommend you amend the soil with a coarse sand for drainage. Drought tolerant once established, but prefers some occasional watering. For fastest growth use slow release fertilizer two times a year.
- <u>Growth:</u> Fast erect-growing clump to 4' tall (6' tall in bloom) and 3.5-4' wide.
- Hardiness: Zone 5-9; Perennial
- Foliage: Evergreen. Blue-gray foliage will overwinter, but we recommend cutting them back in February for a clean look.
- **Flower:** The purplish tinged blooms emerge in August-September and ripen to a silvery white, and the seed heads persist for months. It continues to be attractive in the winter landscape.

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