Carousel Little Bluestem



This prairie grass occupies a wide range in North America. It is an excellent choice for native, wild, or meadow plantings, as well as for adding structure and texture to borders and formal situations.





Schizachyrium scoparium 'Carousel'

- <u>Use:</u> This Little Bluestem has a lower, broader shape at its base than other cultivars and remains upright throughout winter months, providing structure in the landscape and cover for wildlife. We love this native grass for its distinct blue-green foliage, which develops pink, midsummer highlights and transitions to a carousel of fall colors of copper, pink, and mahogany. Little bluestem is a low maintenance, drought-tolerant North American native grass that can be enjoyed virtually all year.
- **Exposure/Soil:** It prefers nutrient-poor soils and full sun, but it's less likely to flop with rich soil than other cultivars.
- **Growth:** Grows to 3' tall and 1-3' wide.
- *Hardiness:* Zones 3-10, perennial
- **Foliage:** Deciduous; Beautiful blue-green summer foliage which turns amazing shades of purple and bronze in fall.
- <u>Flower:</u> The delicate seedheads appear in August and September, and are especially showy when backlit by evening sunlight. Attracts butterflies, host plant for many skippers. Provides nest sites, cover and food for birds.