

# Schizachyrium scoparium

## Little Bluestem



Spring



Fall



Summer

### PLANT DESCRIPTION

**Plant Type:** Perennial Grass

**Height / Width:** 2-4 ft. H x 1-2 ft. W

**Plant Form:** Upright clump

**Flower / Fruit:** Purplish-bronze flowers in 3-in. long racemes on branched stems above the foliage in Aug; resulting clusters of fluffy, silvery-white attractive seed heads persisting into winter

**Leaf:** Slender green leaves (1/4-in. wide) w/tinge of blue at base  
Bronze-orange fall foliage color

**Native To:** North America prairies

### GROWING REQUIREMENTS

**Sunset Zones:** 1-24

**Soil:** Well-drained, but not fertile or it will flop over

**Water:** Moderate to regular

**Sun:** Full sun

**Care and Pruning:** Cut to the ground in late winter to early spring

**GARDEN USE** Stunning display when massed, undulates in the breeze. Cut the dried flower for winter bouquet

### BOTANICAL GARDEN

Butterfly Garden