

Weed Alert! Buffelgrass



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(*Pennisetum ciliare*)

Mature Size Waist



Description

- 1-4 ft. upright to spreading tufted perennial grass that forms wiry mats or tussocks
- Seedheads are 1-6 in. long and ½-1 in. wide, dense and very bristly
- Seedheads are purplish, reddish or greyish
- Seeds shed in a soft, bristly, burr-like structure
- Leaf blades are flat, up to 15 in. long and ½ in. wide,
- Small line of hairs at the junction of leaf blade and sheath
- Reproduces mainly by seed, but may spread vegetatively from rhizomes or stolons
- Spread by roads, trails, equipment, waterways, wildlife, and livestock
- Native to Africa, southern Asia, southern Iran, and southern Europe



Bloom Period Jul - Aug

Habitat Disturbed sites, Sonoran Desert, grassland



2-Minute Removal Dig