

Pennisetum setaceum

GREEN FOUNTAINGRASS

Poaceae

Common Synonyms: none

FLEPPC Category: 2

FDACS Listed Noxious Weed: No

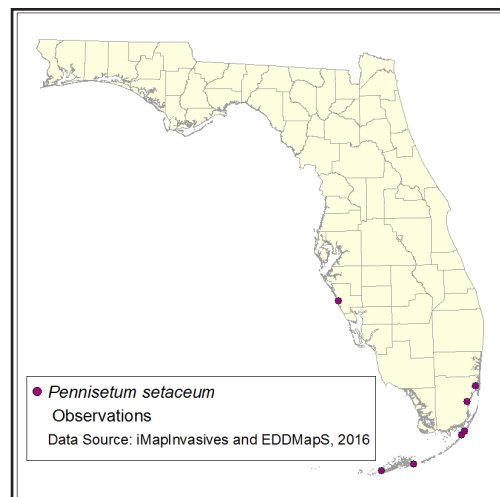
IFAS Assessment

North	OK
Central	OK
South	OK

USDA Hardiness Zone: 9a-11

Growth Habit: Perennial grass

Origin: North Africa and Middle East



John M. Randall, The Nature Conservancy, Bugwood.org

Description: Perennial, mound forming, grass to 1.3 m tall. Tufted, erect stems. Leaves narrowly linear, flat or inrolled, to 0.6 m long and 6 mm wide, upper surface rough, ligule of dense silky hairs. Inflorescence a dense, terminal panicle, cylindrical, nodding to 35 cm long. Spikelets in clusters of 1-3 with plumose bristles towards the base, usually 4-5 times longer than the spikelets.

Habitat: scrub, pine rockland

Florida Introduction Date: Earliest Florida specimen vouchered in 1962.

Control Methods: .

Useful Resources:

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Comments: Popular landscape plant; stimulated by fire.