



ANDROPOGON scoparius 'Prairie Blues'



(SCHIZACHYRIUM)

Little Blue Stem

Item No.: ZA033

| Portion Price (sufficient for 50-100 plants) | 1g Price (0.1-9.9g) | 10g Price (10-99.9g) | 100g Price (100-999.9g) | 1000g Price (1000-9999.9g) | 10000g Price (10000-99999.9g) |
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| 7,20€ | 22,00€ | 160,00€ | 1.280,00€ | - | - |

Plant Description

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| Article Type | pure seed |
| Life Cycle | Perennial |
| Family | Poaceae |
| Origin | North America and Northern Mexico |
| Special Features | Exquisite grey-blue, ribbon-like foliage with reddish-orange autumnal colors. Lovely foliage can be used in bouquets. Silvery fluffy seed heads, Outstanding for naturalizing. Warm season grass and drought tolerant. |
| Historical | Introduced by Jelitto Perennial Seeds in 2007; North American Indians once used dried leaves of the species for winter insulation in their moccasins. |
| Basic Colour | (white / cream) |
| Flower Colour | silvery |
| Natural Flowering Period | August - October |
| Winter Hardiness Zones | Z3 - Z9 |
| Foliage | thin, ribbon-like, greyish-blue, reddish-orange fall color |
| Growth Habit | erect |
| Height with Flowers | 100 cm |
| Spacing between Plants | 60 cm |
| Soil Requirements | dry / well-drained |
| Location |   |
| Characteristics | ornamental foliage plant |
| Usage | suitable for cutting |

Cultivation



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| Grams per 1000 seeds | 0.95238 Gram |
| Seeds per Gram | 1050 (does not correspond to the number of plants!) |
| Gram to get 1000 plants | 3 Gram (if sown directly into pots etc. you will need a larger quantity) |
| Sowing Rates/Trays | 3 - 5 per cell |
| Plug tray recommended size(s) | 128 / 288 |
| Sowing Direction | (15) Rapidly germinating, keep seed in constant moisture (not wet) with temperatures of about +20 °C [68 °F]. Seeds must be covered thinly. Do not cover very small seeds, but tightly press into the earth. Keep in cooler conditions after germination occurs. |

Scheduling

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| Best Sowing Date | Anytime (northern Hemisphere, Field condition) |
| Sowing to Germination | 3 - 4 weeks |
| Germination to Transplant | 4 - 6 weeks |
| Transplanting to Potting | 6 - 8 weeks |
| Cutting back at Transplanting | Not Necessary. |

Growing On

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| Container Size(s) | 1-2 plugs per 11/12 cm (4 1/2") / 2-3 plugs per 15 cm (6") |
| Vernalization | There is no current research on vernalization but a prudent recommendation for any perennial would be 6-12 weeks (a few might need 15 weeks!) at an average daily temperature of 40 °F (5 °C). Exposure to cold may not be necessary for flowering but might improve quality. |
| Forcing | An obvious place to experiment - following vernalization - would be raising daytime temperatures to 60 ° - 65 °F (15 ° - 17 °C). Provide 16 hours of continuous lighting. During the short days of winter, provide a night interruption lighting of 4 hours between 10:00 p.m. and 2:00 a.m. |
| Fertilizer | Light (100-150 ppm) |