

Gold Strike Japanese Sedge



Gold Strike Japanese Sedge *Carex oshimensis* 'Gold Strike'

Height: 16 inches

Spread: 16 inches

Sunlight: **D**

Hardiness Zone: 4b

Description:

A vigorous, mound forming evergreen plant with striking golden-yellow foliage, edged in dark green; makes quite a statement as a container planting or as an accent in the border or as a mass groundcover

Ornamental Features

Gold Strike Japanese Sedge is primarily valued in the garden for its cascading habit of growth. Its attractive grassy leaves emerge creamy white in spring, turning yellow in color with distinctive dark green edges and tinges of gold. The foliage often turns brown in fall.

Landscape Attributes

Gold Strike Japanese Sedge is an herbaceous evergreen perennial grass with a shapely form and gracefully arching stems. It brings an extremely fine and delicate texture to the garden composition and should be used to full effect.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Gold Strike Japanese Sedge is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens
- Container Planting

Planting & Growing

Gold Strike Japanese Sedge will grow to be about 16 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 16 inches. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the ground, not requiring facer plants in front. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. As an evergreen perennial, this plant will typically keep its form and foliage year-round.



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This plant should be grown in a location with partial shade or which is shaded from the hot afternoon sun. It is quite adaptable, preferring to grow in average to wet conditions, and will even tolerate some standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in both summer and winter to conserve soil moisture and protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. It can be propagated by division; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Gold Strike Japanese Sedge is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a canvas of foliage against which the thriller plants stand out. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.