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# **Sand Bluestem**

## **Primary Uses**

Sand Bluestem is used for erosion control on sandy or loamy soils, making it an effective choice for stabilizing slopes and preventing soil erosion. In conservation practices, it is utilized for animal trails, conservation cover, critical area planting, herbaceous wind barriers, land reconstruction, pasture and hay planting, prescribed burning, range planting, and upland wildlife habitat management. Sand Bluestem also offers excellent forage for livestock, especially during the growing season, and its seeds are consumed by upland birds. Furthermore, its appealing growth form and height make it suitable for ornamental landscaping, often used as borders in lawns and flower beds.

## **Benefits**

- Erosion control
- Low maintenance
- Ecological value
- Long-lasting growth
- Visual appeal
- Livestock forage
- Ornamental landscaping

## **Why our Sand Bluestem?**

Sand Bluestem, a native warm-season perennial grass, offers customers several reasons to choose it for their landscaping needs. As a native species, it supports ecological balance and biodiversity. Its long-lasting growth and durability make it a reliable choice, requiring minimal maintenance. The tall and erect stems, along with the stunning pale yellow color in fall, add visual interest and texture to outdoor spaces. Sand Bluestem's extensive root system helps prevent erosion, making it ideal for areas prone to soil erosion. Additionally, it provides nesting habitat for wildlife and serves as a valuable forage source for grazing animals. Overall, Sand Bluestem combines ecological benefits, aesthetic appeal, and practical functionality, making it an excellent grass species for a variety of landscaping applications.

## **Seeding Rates**

The recommended seeding rate for Sand Bluestem is approximately 6 pounds of Pure Live Seed (PLS) per acre. It is important to consult with the local NRCS Field Office for specific guidelines and to ensure the right amount and planting mixture is used for successful establishment.