

Beaked Sedge

Carex rostrata/utriculata

A large clumping wetland grass growing out from short rhizomes and creeping runners, stands up to 120cm in height and will sometimes form a dense sod. The stems are thick with light brown bases that are wrapped in old leaves with a sponge-like texture. The upper leaves are wide and flat, extend longer than the stalk, and are noticeably separated by whiteish knot-like cross walls. Inflorescence are long and cylindrical, carrying both male spikes (4-7 at top of stem) and female spikes (2-4 on lower stems). The fruits are yellow-green or straw coloured, are inflated and egg shaped with multiple ribs, and narrowing to a beak with two points and three stigmas.

Sun zone

Full sun

Water zone

Medium water

High water

Foliage colour

green

Bloom colour

green

tan

yellow

Bloom months

June

July

August

Average height

120 cm

Soil needs

Tolerates sandy or loamy soils

Stock size

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