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SPECIES	Pennisetum alopecuroides 'Nafray'
COMMON NAME	Nafray, Black lea
ORIGIN	Queensland
DESIGN USE	As mass planting and accent plant for rockeries, roadside plant



HEIGHT

80–90cm

SPREAD

80cm

HABIT

A showy, perennial grass with narrow arching leaves.

FORM

Compact and clumping.

FLOWERS

It has a beautiful cream purple seed head.

FLOWERING PERIOD

December to May

CLIMATIC TOLERANCES

Because of its finer leaf, and less evaporation, 'Nafray' is more drought tolerant. It is also frost tolerant. Nafray is best grown in full sun but can handle partly shaded positions. Tolerates windy and salt laden windy positions. It will generally survive and prosper on natural rainfall in most of the populated areas of Queensland.

HORTICULTURE

Tolerates a wide range of soils including poorly drained soils. Mulch well. Trim 1/3 the size preferably in May to August or when required.

REFERENCES

<http://www.ozbreed.com.au/nafray.html>

<http://www.impactgrasses.com.au/product.php?productid=111>

