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SPECIES	<i>Pennisetum alopecuroides</i> 'Rubrum'
COMMON NAME	Purple Fountain Grass, Purple-leaved Fountain Grass, Red Fountain Grass
ORIGIN	SW Asia, NW India, Africa, Arabian Peninsula
DESIGN USE	Planting beds and containers



HEIGHT

1m

SPREAD

45cm

HABIT

Upright clump



FORM

Red Fountain Grass is mostly tufted or clump-forming ornamental grass that is used in the landscape for its reddish foliage and showy flowers. The leaves of this 3- to 4-foot-tall plant are narrow, curving, linear blades with a beautiful red cast. The inflorescence atop a hollow, 3-foot-long, nodding flower stalk.

FLOWERS

Magenta-purple-red fuzzy, spike-like flowers that look like narrow bottlebrushes



FLOWERING PERIOD

Mid-summer and last until first frost

CLIMATIC TOLERANCES

Thrives in hot climates and is frost hardy. Plant can withstand temperatures down to -5°C (23°F).

HORTICULTURE

Drought-resistant, these annuals and perennials prefer dry locations, but grow in most soils and require full sun.



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