



Prairie Dropseed

Sporobolus heterolepsis

Light:	Full
Soil:	Loam, Sand
Moisture:	Dry, Medium
Benefits:	Birds, Host, Deer Resistant
Height:	2'-4'
Blooms:	Aug, Sept
Zones:	3-8
Color:	Green, Cream
Spacing:	2'
Root:	Fibrous



Prairie dropseed is arguably the most ornamental grass in the native gardener's palette. One legendary horticulturalist says it should be named "emerald fountain grass," and if it were, probably more people would grow it. Ideal for borders, it also tucks in nicely as a matrix plant, crowding out weeds that like to poke up between our beloved native flowers.

Prairie dropseed is a host plant for six species of moths and butterflies, including the endangered powershiek skipperling