

# Pennstripe™

*Pennisetum alopecuroides* 'PAV300' (b)

## NATIVE GRASSES

### A beautiful contrasting, variegated native grass for the landscape.

- A compact and hardy Australian native with feathery plumes that compliment its fine variegated foliage nicely.
- It grows to 2/5 the size of the common form and is non-invasive to native bushland.\*
- Pennstripe™ *Pennisetum* will discolour in winter in cooler regions, so simply cut back in late winter/early spring to encourage new growth.
- The Pennstripe™ plant tolerates a wide variety of soils and climates, including poorly drained areas, humidity and drought conditions.

\* So far Pennstripe™ *Pennisetum* has not produced a viable seed. We have to grow it from division, and not seed, which makes this native grass highly desirable.

<b>Description</b>	Variegated, compact, clumping ornamental grass
<b>Density</b>	4-10 plants per m <sup>2</sup> 2-4 per linear metre
<b>Height &amp; Width</b>	45cm x 45cm
<b>Flowering</b>	February-May
<b>Best Planting Time</b>	March-October
<b>Uses</b>	Mass planting and specimen planting for borders, rockeries & roadsides; commercial & residential use
<b>Position</b>	Full sun to part shade Tolerates frost, drought & humidity
<b>Soil Type</b>	Sandy to heavy clay soils
<b>Care</b>	Water as required for 8-13 weeks until established; trim to 1/3 the size annually in May to August or as required; mulch well; use slow release fertiliser in winter
<b>Where it Works</b>	NSW, ACT, QLD, VIC, SA, WA & TAS



*Pennisetum Pennisetum alopecuroides setaceum*

NOTE: Do not get this native Australian *Pennisetum alopecuroides* confused with the invasive African variety (*P. setaceum*). The native Australian varieties have a much wider plume than the exotic variety, and are non-invasive making them a safer choice. In ideal conditions this variety has the possibility to regenerate from seed (e.g. Northern NSW/QLD in warm/wet winters, wet areas and excessively irrigated gardens). It is not an invasive weed, however if you experience these conditions and prefer to avoid regeneration, remove spent flower heads as required and dispose of correctly.

