



# 2017 Grasses & Groundcovers Pre-Sale

## Guilford County Extension Master Gardener Volunteer Association

The Passalong Plant Sale is offering pre-orders of some premium plant selections this year. The pre-sale begins March 8, and ends April 1. All profits will go to EMGV programs, as the Passalong Plant Sale is our only major fundraiser.

**Plant Pickup will be on Thursday, May 11 only.**

The Passalong Plant Sale will be May 12-13 this year.

Thanks for your support!

*Pre-sale co-chairs Linda Anderson "2016" & Kay Stroud*

### **About Grasses & Groundcovers:**

Designing with ornamental grasses can both enhance existing borders, and provide great "bones" to the garden with their striking presence. There are many different structures, colors, forms, and plumes. With their architectural forms, many can act like shrubs in the landscape. Smaller grasses like Dwarf Mondo will help define an edge, and can even help prevent erosion on a slope.

Non-grass groundcovers like Ajuga will help fill spaces in the front of a border, or between stepping stones on a path. Groundcovers planted in mass drifts help define a space. They can be taller or shorter as you please, and choices for sun or shade give you great possibilities in your quest for that "tour-worthy" garden!



As with any new plant, water your grasses & groundcovers per their cultural needs the first year until they become established.

Good luck with your plants; we hope you'll enjoy them for years to come!



**Pink Muhly Grass** *Muhlenbergia capillaris* – One of the most popular ornamental grasses, Muhly sports wispy pink flower spikes in fall. Drought tolerant for full sun. Great planted in masses. 3'x3'. **Gallon, \$10.**

**Prairie Dropseed** *Sporobolus heterolepis* – A native grass with fine texture and arching habit. Tan-bronze fall color. Forms dense tufts of sprawling leaves about 1-2' tall and 2-3' across. Delicate seedheads appear above the tuft in midsummer, rising 2' high.

**Gallon, \$10**



**Little Bluestem** *Schizachrium scoparium* 'The Blues' – Native grass that has a distinct blue color in summer, turning a rich red-purple in fall. Strong grower to 4', for full sun. **Gallon, \$10.**

**Northern Sea Oats** *Chasmanthium latifolium* – Drought-tolerant native that produces pendulous, showy seed heads. Seed heads will flutter when caressed by even the softest of breezes. Clump-former that will seed and spread. Wonderful when massed against wooden fences or walls. Grows to 3', for sun to shade. Good cut- or dried-flower.

**Quart, \$4.**





**Sedge 'Eversheen'** *Carex oshimensis Evercolor™ 'Eversheen'* – Variegated sedge with deep green borders encasing the bright yellow center stripe presents a striking appearance, especially when massed. Elegant weeping growth habit, will tolerate shade and dry conditions. Sun to shade. **Quart, \$6.**

**Sedge 'Blue Zinger'** *Carex flacca 'Blue Zinger'* – this blue-green sedge is a dense, cool-season, clump-forming but slowly creeping and evergreen plant which typically grows to 6-10" high and features narrow, arching leaves that are blue-green above and blue-gray underneath. Thrives in moist soils in part shade to full shade. Tolerates light foot traffic. **Gallon, \$10.**



### Groundcovers:



**Bugleweed 'Catlin's Giant'** *Ajuga reptans 'Catlin's Giant'* – foliage 3" high, flower spikes 9". Full sun to part shade. Dense, rapidly-spreading, mat-forming groundcover which features shiny, dark green leaves. Whorls of tiny, blue-violet flowers appear in mid- to late- spring on spikes. When in full flower, large clumps of bugleweed can produce a striking display. **Quart, \$4.**

**St. John's Wort** *Hypericum calycinum 'Brigadoon'* – Aaron's Beard or St. John's Wort have beautiful yellow blooms in late spring and sporadically through summer. Will grow in full sun but benefits from some afternoon shade in the South. Beautiful gold leaves turn reddish-purple in winter. **Quart, \$4.**





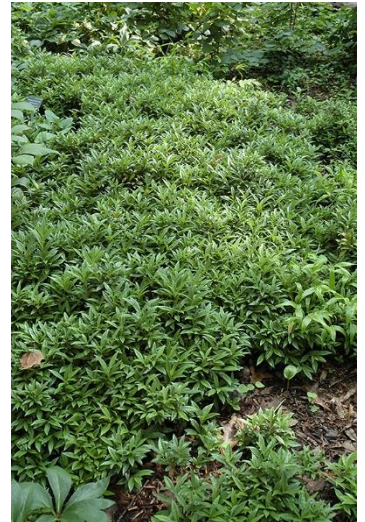
**St Johns Wort** *Hypericum x moserianum 'Tricolor'* – this cultivar grows 10-12" high here in Zone 7, with reddish, arching stems and variegated, oval to oblong, rosy green leaves edged with white. Buttercup-like yellow flowers appear from midsummer to fall. **Quart, \$4.**

**Creeping Phlox 'Purple Beauty' and 'Crimson Beauty'** *Phlox subulata* -



Very drought tolerant, low creepers covered with beautiful blooms in early spring. Great for naturalizing or spilling over stone walls. Full sun. **Gallon, \$7.**

**Sweet Box** *Sarcococca hookeriana* var. *'Humilis Sarsidi'* – Broadleaf evergreen growing 12-15" tall x 2-4' wide. Part shade to full shade. Very fragrant blooms in late spring. Female flowers give way to shiny black fruits. Shady parts of cottage gardens and shady slopes will benefit from the quality evergreen foliage. **Gallon, \$12**



Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Check #: \_\_\_\_\_ Check Amt: \_\_\_\_\_

**2017 Guilford Master Gardeners Grasses & Groundcovers Sale Order Form**

**Sale Dates: March 8 – 31, 2017**

**Pickup Date: Thursday, May 11 ONLY -**

**The day before the Passalong Plant Sale starts (*mark your calendars, 5/12 from 9-3 and 5/13 from 9-1!*)**

**Make checks payable to GCEMGVA.** (If you choose to pay cash, please bring the correct amount; we will have no way to make change.) All proceeds go to the Guilford County Extension Master Gardener Volunteer Association to fund our programs and events.

You may mail your check and order form to: **GCEMGVA, 3309 Burlington Rd Greensboro NC 27405** or place it in the designated box in the EMGV office.

**Pick up your order at the address above on Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup> in the Barn Meeting Room.** If you cannot pick your plants up, ***please*** send someone for them; we do not have the space to keep them for you.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

	Quantity	Price	Total
Pink Muhly Grass Gals	_____ X	\$10.00 =	_____
Prairie Dropseed Gals	_____ X	\$10.00 =	_____
Little Bluesteem Gals	_____ X	\$10.00 =	_____
Northern Sea Oats Qts	_____ X	\$ 4.00 =	_____
Sedge 'Eversheen' Qts	_____ X	\$ 6.00 =	_____
Sedge 'Blue Zinger' Gals	_____ X	\$10.00 =	_____
Bugleweed 'Catlin's Giant' Qts	_____ X	\$ 4.00 =	_____
St. John's Wort 'Brigadoon' Qts	_____ X	\$ 4.00 =	_____
St. John's Wort 'Tricolor' Qts	_____ X	\$ 4.00 =	_____
Creeping Phlox 'Crimson Beauty' Gals	_____ X	\$ 7.00 =	_____
Creeping Phlox 'Purple Beauty' Gals	_____ X	\$ 7.00 =	_____
Sweet Box 'Humilis Sarsidi' Gals	_____ X	\$12.00 =	_____

**TOTAL QUANTITY** \_\_\_\_\_ **TOTAL PRICE** \_\_\_\_\_

**EMGV Soliciting Order** \_\_\_\_\_