

# Sand Dropseed

(*sporobolus cryptandrus*)



## Native Grass

**Sand Dropseed** is one of 40 species of dropseed in North America. It is 1 of 3 varieties that ranges north into Canada and is found throughout the prairies. Named because of its ability to drop seeds before maturity.

## Growth habit

**Sand Dropseed** is a strongly tufted perennial with fibrous roots. It starts growth in early spring; seeds mature June to August, reproduce readily from seeds and tillers.

## Adaptation

Scattered, more prevalent in Southern regions. Ideal for open areas and disturbed sites, most common on sandy soils. Also found in dry, open sandy woods, in open prairie grasslands and in active sand dunes.

## Reclamation Uses

**Sand Dropseed** has value in stabilizing loose sandy soils. It is very drought tolerant and increases production with abusive grazing or after a drought. Seeds can remain viable in the soil for up to 20 years.

## Quick Facts

Growth Habit	Salt Tolerance	Soil Type	Drought Tolerance	Seeds/lb.
Erect Bunch	Good	Sandy to Coarse	Excellent	5,228,160