

NOT WANTED!

Amur or Chinese Silver Grass

Miscanthus species

EARLY DETECTION & CONTROL WILL PREVENT INFESTATIONS!



Plant (Late summer)



Plant (Early fall)



Amur silver grass (*Miscanthus sacchariflorus*) or Chinese silver grass (*Miscanthus sinensis*) are incorrectly referred to as pampas grass. These plants (perennial) grow in a thick monoculture to exclude and replace other beneficial species. Over 50 varieties exist that are now spreading into road sides and nature areas. Amur silver grass spreads primarily via rhizomes to form dense stands. Chinese silver grass spreads by seed.

Identifying Characteristics:

- **Leaves:** up to 1-inch wide by 40-inches long with a prominent white mid-vein
- **Height:** 3-10' tall
- **Flowers:** begin to bloom in late July to early August in central Minnesota; start out thin and shimmering; then become silky and/or plume-like
- **Seeds:** may remain on plants into winter

If found in

RAMSEY COUNTY

1 Take pictures and notes.

Please include the location's address, description of the surroundings, and GPS coordinates, if possible.

2 Report by

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