

# SHELME RDINE

## SECOND NATURE



### Dwarf Sharp Edge Sedge

*Cyperus haspan 'Viviparus'*

Height: 18 inches

Spread: 18 inches

Sunlight: ☉ ●

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

#### Description:

This variety is a semi-aquatic, grass-like plant producing short green stems with green bracts; perfect for pond side planting or in wet areas of the garden; doesn't mind being submerged at the base

#### Ornamental Features

Dwarf Sharp Edge Sedge's attractive grassy leaves remain green in colour throughout the season. Neither the flowers nor the fruit are ornamentally significant.

#### Landscape Attributes

Dwarf Sharp Edge Sedge is an herbaceous annual with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and is best cleaned up in early spring before it resumes active growth for the season. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Dwarf Sharp Edge Sedge is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Water Gardens
- Container Planting
- Bog Gardens

#### Planting & Growing

Dwarf Sharp Edge Sedge will grow to be about 18 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 18 inches. Although it's not a true annual, this fast-growing plant can be expected to behave as an annual in our climate if left outdoors over the winter, usually needing replacement the following year. As such, gardeners should take into consideration that it will perform differently than it would in its native habitat.



*Dwarf Sharp Edge Sedge foliage*  
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This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in moist to wet soil, and will even tolerate some standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selection of a native North American species. It can be propagated by division; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Dwarf Sharp Edge Sedge is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a canvas of foliage against which the larger thriller plants stand out. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.