

## Miscanthus sinensis Care Details

- Miscanthus sinensis 'Zebrinus' varieties are deciduous, clump forming perennial grasses looking particularly stunning even when young, reaching a height and spread of 200x90cm.
- They prefer full-sun but are also happy in part-shade in any type of soil and are low maintenance.
- If bought as young plants, then you may wish to grow them on in pots or simply plant them out in spring and summer after they are larger than 2 litres. They will produce many new shoots in Spring and summer, and can be divided the following year from March to April.
- Using a slow or controlled release fertilizer when planting will ensure that your plant is correctly fed and will grow at an optimum rate remembering to re-pot as necessary. John Innes or general multi- purpose compost will usually have sufficient food for the first 4-6 weeks, if no food is added.
- Miscanthus are fully hardy and will grow in any soil type. Occasional pruning by pulling old growth out will keep the plant looking good and encourage healthy new growth. In autumn, maroon leaves appear contrasting well with the green/cream growth.



■ In early winter when the grass dies back, cut the old blades back near to ground level. New green shoots will emerge in spring that will develop the stripy bands as they mature again.



■ Each year the clump will increase in size and look good planted in groups or as a specimen. New leaves will be green with the stripes developing as the season progresses.

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