

Recognise the important grasses

Desirable perennial grasses

Angleton grass	<i>Dichanthium aristatum</i> +
Black speargrass	<i>Heteropogon contortus</i> -
Desert bluegrass	<i>Bothriochloa ewartiana</i> -
Forest bluegrass	<i>Bothriochloa bladhii</i> -
Giant speargrass	<i>Heteropogon triticeus</i> -
Gulf bluegrass	<i>Dichanthium fecundum</i> -
Indian couch	<i>Bothriochloa pertusa</i> +
Kangaroo grass	<i>Themeda triandra</i> -
Sabi grass	<i>Urochloa mosambicensis</i> -

Intermediate value grasses (perennials and annuals)

Barbwire grass	<i>Cymbopogon refractus</i>
Bottle washer grass	<i>Enneapogon intermedius</i> +
Cloncurry pitted bluegrass	<i>Bothriochloa decipiens</i> var. <i>cloncurrensis</i> +
Early spring grass	<i>Eriochloa procera</i> +
Flinders grass	<i>Iseilema</i> species +
Golden beard grass	<i>Chrysopogon fallax</i> +
Green couch	<i>Cynodon dactylon</i> +
Liverseed	<i>Urochloa panicoides</i> +
Love grasses	<i>Eragrostis</i> species +
Plume sorghum	<i>Sorghum plumosum</i> +
Red natal grass	<i>Melinis repens</i> (<i>Rhynchelytrum</i>) +
Shot grass	<i>Paspalidium distans</i> +
Silky browntop	<i>Eulalia aurea</i> (<i>E. fulva</i>) -
Thatch grass	<i>Hyparrhenia rufa</i> (-)
Windmill grass	<i>Panicum</i> species +

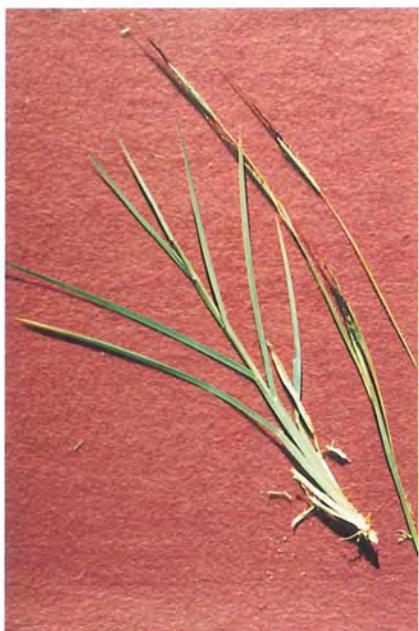
Undesirable or annual grasses

Barnyard grass	<i>Echinochloa colona</i> +
Button grass	<i>Dactyloctenium radulans</i> +
Desert couch	<i>Brachyachne convergens</i> +
Fairy grass	<i>Sporobolus australasicus</i> +
Five minute grass	<i>Tripogon loliiformis</i> +
Leafy nine-awn	<i>Enneapogon polypyllus</i> +
Purple top rhodes	<i>Chloris inflata</i> (<i>C. barbata</i>) +
Rat's tail grasses	<i>Sporobolus</i> species (+)
Reed grass	<i>Arundinella nepalensis</i>
Sedges	<i>Cyperaceae</i> species +
Slender chloris	<i>Chloris divaricata</i> +
Small burr grass	<i>Tragus australianus</i> +
White grass	<i>Sehima nervosum</i> (-)
Wiregrass	<i>Aristida</i> species +
Woodland love grass	<i>Eragrostis sororia</i> +

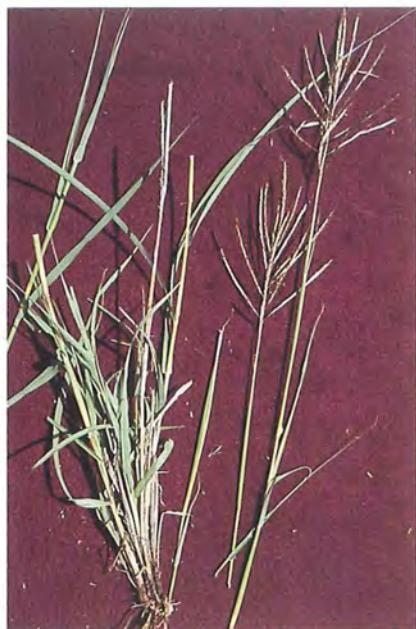
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- indicates that this species decreases under heavy grazing

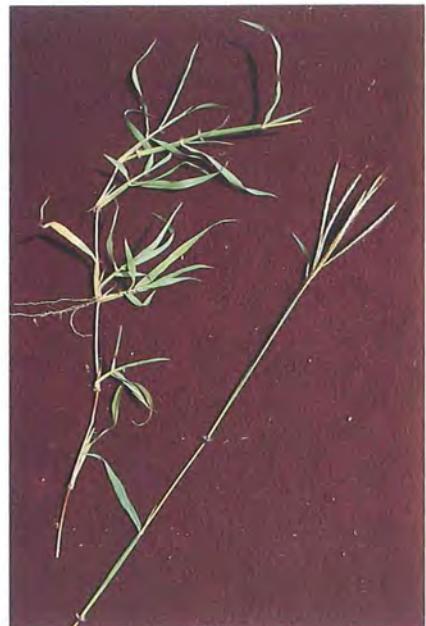
(+) and (-) indicate the change occurs only sometimes.



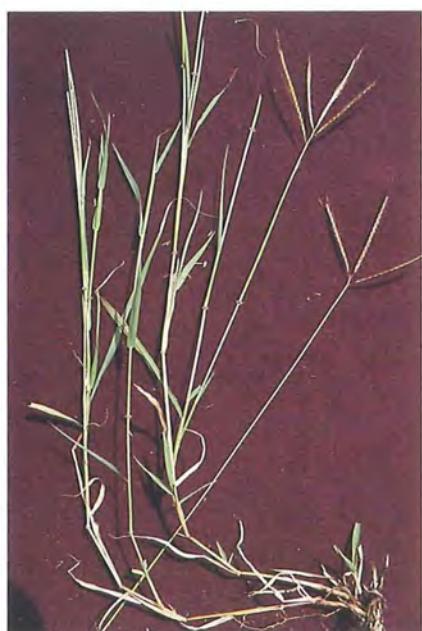
Black speargrass



Desert bluegrass



Pertusa or Indian couch



Angleton grass



Kangaroo grass



Silky brown top



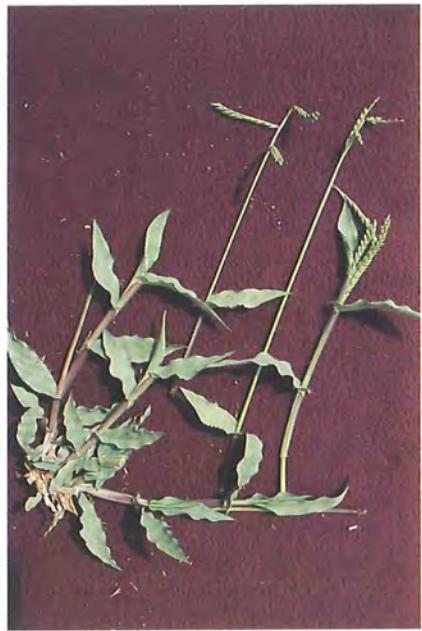
Wire grass (*Aristida*)



Golden beard grass



Plume sorghum



Liverseed grass



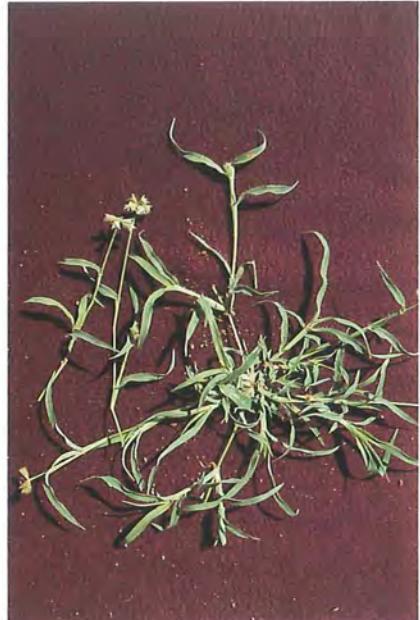
Flinders grass



Desert couch



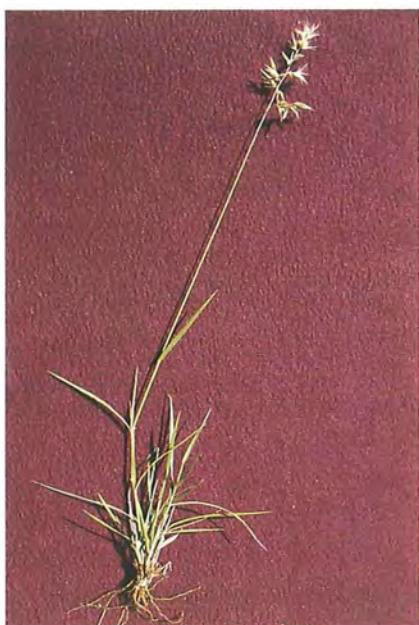
Small burr grass



Button grass



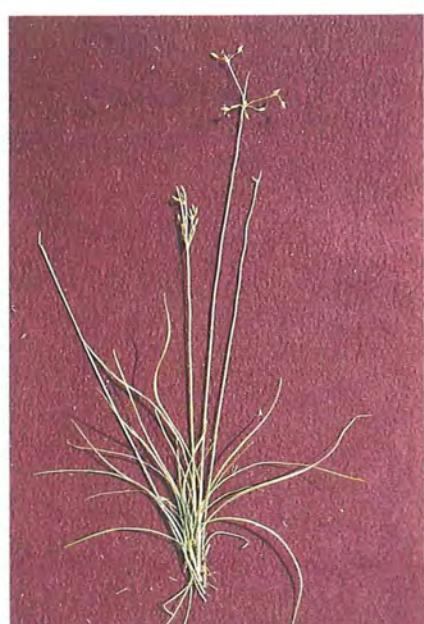
Five minute grass



Leafy nine-awn



Fairy grass



A sedge

Other problem plants

Bellyache bush	<i>Jatropha gossypiifolia</i>
Birdsville indigo	<i>Indigofera linnaei*</i>
Calotrope	<i>Calotropis procera</i>
Chinee apple	<i>Ziziphus mauritiana</i>
Currant/berry bush	<i>Carissa lanceolata*</i>
Heartleaf	<i>Gastrolobium grandiflorum*</i>
Lantana	<i>Lantana</i> spp.
Mimosa bush	<i>Acacia farnesiana</i>
Parkinsonia	<i>Parkinsonia aculeata</i>
Rubervine	<i>Cryptostegia grandiflora</i>
False sandalwood	<i>Eremophila mitchellii*</i>

* indicates native species

Other indicator forbs

Forbs are non-woody broad-leaved plants;
forbs are often (incorrectly) referred to as herbs.

- Pigweed *Portulacca* spp.
Tar vine *Boerhavia* spp.

Many of these plants are illustrated and described
in *Plants of central Queensland: their identification and uses*.

