

Fall panicum

Panicum dichotomiflorum Michx.



Life cycle

Erect summer annual.

Leaves

Leaves are hairless at maturity, up to 20 inches long with a prominent, white midvein. Leaf sheaths are also hairless at maturity, and there are no hairs on the sheath margin. Seedlings may have hairs on the lower leaf surface and sheath, becoming less hairy with age.

Ligule

Hairy.

Stems

Erect, bending in a zigzag manner at the nodes, up to 6 feet tall.



Fall panicum collar region.

Flowers and fruit

The seedhead is a large, open and spreading panicle that may be purple-tinted at maturity and yields small, straw-colored, oval seeds.

Reproduction

Seeds.



Prominent, white midvein of fall panicum.



Fall panicum seedhead.

Poaceae (Grass family)