

## Annual bluegrass

*Poa annua* L.

### Life cycle

Clump-forming winter or summer annual.

### Leaves

Hairless, soft, light green leaves are folded in the bud and lack auricles. Leaves have linear margins (sides parallel) and distinctive boat-shaped tips.

### Ligule

Slightly pointed membranous ligule.

### Stems

Upright, bending, up to 1-foot-tall stems are clump-forming, enlarge by tillering and may root at the lower nodes.

### Flowers and fruit

The seedhead is a greenish white open panicle comprised of single or paired branches that form a pyramid shape. Each spikelet contains two to six flowers.

### Reproduction

Seeds.

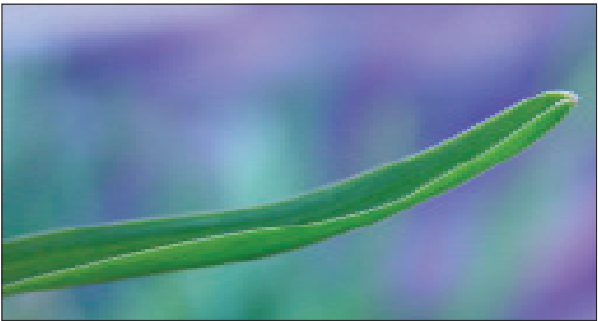


Annual bluegrass clump.

## Annual bluegrass *continued*



Annual bluegrass seedhead.



Boat-shaped leaf tip of annual bluegrass.