Grasses - In the Grass Family (Poaceae)



Bromus ciliatus Fringed brome



Calamagrostis canadensis
Blue-joint



Phragmites australis
Common reed (native)



Glyceria striata Fowl manna grass

Leersia oryzoides



Poa palustris Fowl meadow grass

Other Sedges - In the Sedge Family (Cyperaceae)



Schoenoplectus spp. Bulrush



Eriophorum spp. Cottongrass

A Quick Guide to Sedges & Grasses of Grass River

Carex Sedges



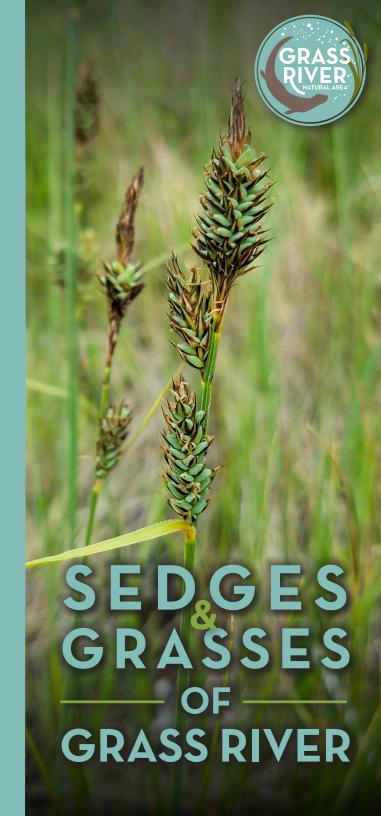
Triangular,
solid stem
without joints,
slender leaves
in three rows.
Flowers usually
either male or female
with 1 bract/scale.
One seed (achene)
enclosed in

Grasses

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Round,
hollow stem
with joints,
slender leaves
in two rows.
Flowers usually
both male and female
with 2 bracts/scales.
One seed (grain)
per flower.

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Carex Sedges

Group 1 - Spikelets appear all similar and stalkless with no leafy bracts, perigynia are flattened



Carex diandra Panicled sedge

Carex interior

Inland sedge



Carex stipata Prickly sedge



Carex echinata Carex trisperma Star sedge Three-seed sedge

Group 2 - Spikelets look different (male and female), often stalked or with leafy bracts, perigynia are flattened



Carex buxbaumii Buxbaum's sedge

Tussock sedge



Carex crinita Nodding sedge



Carex aquatalis Water sedge

Group 3 - Spikelets look different (male and female), often stalked or with leafy bracts, perigynia are plump and inflated



Carex flava Yellow-green sedge



Carex lasiocarpa Carex utriculata Wiregrass sedge Yellow lake sedge



Carex gracillima Graceful sedge



Carex intumescens Bladder sedge



Carex hystericina Porcupine sedge