



Oplismenus aemulus – family: POACEAE

CREeping SHADE GRASS – AUSTRALIAN BASKET GRASS

Slender, sprawling, low-growing perennial grass up to 30cm
Tiny white flowers in racemes throughout the year on flower
spikes up to 6 centimetres

Cultivation: Hardy in full sun or semi-shade; prefers shaded areas.

This slender and sprawling grass puts down roots at each node and usually becomes a thick, carpeting mat over the ground. It is widespread and common in South-east Queensland, often



found in shady places. Leaves

are hairy and slender, about 18mm wide and 3cm long. Very hardy and fairly quick spreading, it prefers shaded areas but will grow in full sun.

It can be used as a groundcover in garden beds or as a lawn grass in shaded areas where other grasses will not grow.

