blade 6-12 mm wide, glabrous. INFL: 15-25 cm; branches erect. ascending or spreading. SPIKELET: 30-35 mm, strongly flattened; glumes glabrous or scabrous, upper (7.5)9-11(12.5) mm, 5-7-veined; lower (5.5)7-10(11.5) mm, 3-veined; lemma 12-15 mm, strongly keeled, 7-9-veined, awn 4-8 mm; anthers 1-5 mm; 2n=56. Open slopes, meadows; 1200-3100 m. c SNH (Mariposa, Tuolumne cos.); to OR, TX. [B. polyanthus var. paniculatus Shear] Aug

B. porteri (J.M. Coult.) Nash (p. 1435) NODDING BROME Per 32-100 cm. LF: ligule 1-2 mm; blade 2-5 mm wide, glabrous or slightly hairy. INFL: 6-20 cm, open; branches ascending to nodding. SPIKELET: 12-15 mm, not strongly flattened; glumes 3-veined, hairy, sometimes glabrous, lower 5-7 mm, upper 6-10 mm; lemma 7-13 mm, back \pm rounded, hairy, awn 1.5-3(4) mm; anthers 1.5-3.5(4) mm. 2n=14. Exposed slopes, open woodland; 550-3500 m. NCoRI, s SN, SCoRI, SnBr, SNE; to BC, MB, TX. [B. anomalus E. Fourn., misappl.] Jul-Aug

B. pseudolaevipes Wagnon WOODLAND BROME Per 60-125 cm. LF: sheath glabrous or hairy; ligule 0.4-1(2) mm; blade 2-9 mm wide, glabrous, hairy on margin, or hairy throughout. INFL: 7.5-20 cm; branches erect to spreading. SPIKELET: 15-35 mm, not strongly flattened; glumes scabrous or hairy, lower 4-7 mm, 3-veined, upper 6-9 mm, 5-veined, lemma 10-12.5 mm, back rounded, hairy across back or only on margin, teeth < 1 mm, awn 2-5.5 mm; anthers 3.5-5.5 mm. 2n=14. Shaded or semi-shaded sites in chaparral, coastal-sage scrub, open woodland; 100-900 m. NCoRI, CaRH, SnFrB, SCoRO, SW. Apr-Jul

B. racemosus L. (p. 1435) SMOOTH BROME Ann 25-110 cm. LF: lower sheaths long-hairy; ligule 1-3 mm; blade 2-5 mm wide. INFL: 4–14 cm; narrow, branches < 4 cm, 1 spikelet per branch. SPIKELET: 11-18 mm, not strongly flattened, not widening substantially in fr, lemma obscuring most stalks in fr; glumes glabrous, lower 4-6 mm, 3-5-veined, upper 4-7 mm, 5-9-veined; lemma 7-9 mm, 4-5 mm wide, back rounded, glabrous, margin often smoothly curved, veins not strongly raised, teeth < 1 mm, awn 5-9 mm, ± equal, from < 1.5 mm below lemma tip; anthers 1.5–3 mm; fr flat or C-shaped in ×-section. 2n=28. Disturbed areas, roadsides; 60-1850 m. KR, NCoRO, NCoRI, SNF, GV, CCo, SnFrB, SnBr, MP; to BC, e US: native to Eur. Mav-Jul

B. richardsonii Link (p. 1435) RICHARDSON'S BROME Per 47-110 cm; upper st nodes gen glabrous. LF: basal sheath densely, short- to medium-hairy, upper sheath glabrous; ligule 1-2 mm; blade 3-9 mm wide. INFL: 9-22 cm, open; branches erect to nodding. SPIKELET: 24-35 mm, not strongly flattened; glumes glabrous or scabrous, lower 7.1-10 mm, 1(3)-veined, upper (7.8)8.9-11.3(13.2) mm, 3-veined; lemma 9-13.5 mm, margin hairy along lower 1/2 to 3/4, back rounded, sparsely to densely hairy with hairs > 0.1 mm, awn 3-6 mm; anthers (1.2)1.6-2.7(3.4) mm; fr (6.9)7.7-9.7(10.5) mm. 2n=28. Meadows, open woodland; 1200-3600 m. c&s SNH, SCoRO, SnBr, e PR, e DMoj; to AK, WY, w TX, Mex. [B. ciliatus var. r. (Link) B. Boivin] Jul-Sep

B. secalinus L. (p. 1435) RYE BROME Ann 45-100 cm. LF: sheath glabrous or sparsely short-hairy; ligule 1-3 mm; blade 4-12 mm wide, hairy. INFL: 8-17 cm, ± open; branches spreading to ascending, nodding in fr. SPIKELET: 12-24 mm, not strongly flattened, widening in fr, many stalks becoming visible as lemma wraps around fr; glumes glabrous, lower 5-7 mm, 3-5-veined, upper 6-9 mm, 5-9-veined; lemma 8-11 mm, 4-5 mm wide, back rounded, glabrous or hairy, veins not strongly raised, teeth < 1 mm, awn (0)3-9.5 mm, from < 1.5 mm below lemma tip; anthers 1.2–2.5 mm; fr U- and V-shaped in ×-section. 2n=14,28. Open, disturbed areas; < 1500 m. NW, CaR, n&c SN, n SnFrB, SnBr, MP; to BC, e US; native to Eur. May-Jul

B. sitchensis Trin. SITKA BROME, ALASKA BROME Per 40–145 cm. LF: sheath glabrous; ligule 3-4 mm; blade glabrous or hairy, 1-4 mm wide. INFL: 19-36 cm, open; branches ascending, spreading to nodding; lower branches 10-20 cm. SPIKELET: 25-41 mm, strongly flattened, keeled; glumes glabrous (hairy), lower 8-11 mm, 3-5-veined, upper 10-13 mm, 5-7-veined; lemma, 12-15 mm, back ± rounded, strongly keeled, glabrous, sometimes hairy, awn 5-10 mm; anthers to 6 mm. 2*n*=42,56. Rocky bluffs, cliffs, meadows, forest edges, disturbed areas; < 1670 m. SW; to AK. Mar-Jun

B. squarrosus L. (p. 1435) CORN BROME Ann 10-43 cm. LF: sheath hairy; ligule 0.5–2 mm; blade hairy or glabrous, 2.5–10 mm wide. INFL: 5-10.5 cm, open, often appearing 1-sided; spikelets 1(2) per branch; 1+ lower branches gen > spikelets, ± wavy. **SPIKELET**: 14-35 mm, not strongly flattened; glumes glabrous, lower 4.5-7 mm, 3-5(7)-veined, upper 6-9.5 mm, 7-veined; florets 7-18; lemma 8.2-11 mm, membranous margin 0.6-0.9 mm wide, back rounded, glabrous or minutely scabrous, teeth < 1 mm, awn 8-11.7 mm, from 1.5+ mm below tip; anthers 0.5-1.6 mm. 2n=14. Open, disturbed areas, roadsides; < 1494 m. MP; to BC, c N.Am; native to Eurasia. Jul

B. sterilis L. (p. 1435) POVERTY BROME Ann 25-85 cm. LF: sheath hairy; ligule 2-2.5 mm; blade 2-5 mm wide, hairy or glabrous. INFL: 10-25 cm, open; lower branches ascending to nodding, upper branches ascending, branches gen > spikelets (shorter when infl reduced to 1(3) spikelets), simple, lower branches sometimes branched 1 \times ; spikelets 1(3) per branch. SPIKELET: 20–35 mm, not strongly flattened; glumes glabrous or scabrous, upper 7.5-21 mm, 3(5)-veined, lower 6-14 mm, 1(3)-veined; florets 6-11; lemma 13-20 mm, back rounded, glabrous to scabrous, teeth 0-22 mm, awn 15-30 mm, straight; anthers 0.5-2 mm. 2n=42,56. Open, disturbed areas; < 1100 m. NW, CaRF, SNF, n SNH, GV, SnFrB, SCoRO, s ChI, SCo, WTR (w Santa Susana foothills), PR (Otay Mtn); to BC, e N.Am; native to Eurasia. Mar-Jun

B. suksdorfii Vasey (p. 1435) SUKSDORF'S BROME Per 45–95 cm. LF: glabrous; ligule 0.5-2 mm; blade 4-11 mm wide. INFL: 6.5–13 cm, \leq 2 cm wide, narrow; branches erect to ascending. SPIKELET: 15-30 mm, not strongly flattened; glumes glabrous or sparsely hairy, lower 7-10 mm, 1(3)-veined, upper 8-13 mm, 3-veined; lemma 10-14 mm, back rounded, glabrous to hairy, awn 2–5.5 mm; anthers 2.2–3.5 mm. 2n=14. Rocky slopes, meadows, conifer forest; 1250-3300 m. KR, NCoRH, CaR, SNH, SCoRO, MP; to WA. Jun-Aug

B. tectorum L. (p. 1435) CHEAT GRASS, DOWNY CHESS Ann 5–40 cm. LF: sheath hairy (sometimes glabrous); ligule 2-3 mm; blade glabrous to hairy, gen long-hairy near base, 1-5 mm wide. INFL: 6-22 cm; open; branches spreading to nodding; spikelets 1-14 per branch; branches < or > spikelets, $1-5 \times$ branched. **SPIKELET**: 10-20 mm, not strongly flattened; glumes glabrous to hairy, lower 4-9 mm, 1(3)-veined, upper 7-13.5 mm, 3(5)-veined; florets 3-7; lemma 9-13 mm, back rounded, glabrous to hairy, teeth 1-3 mm, awn 8–18 mm, straight; anthers 0.5–1.3 mm. 2n=14. Open, disturbed areas; < 3400 m. CA; N.Am; native to Eurasia. [B. t. var. glabratus Spenn.] Invasive. May-Aug *

B. vulgaris (Hook.) Shear (p. 1435) COLUMBIA BROME Per 45-110 cm; nodes (3)4-6(7). LF: ligule (2)3-6(7) mm; blade 13–25(33) cm, 3–14 mm wide, gen hairy on upper surface. **INFL**: 8-22 cm, > 2 cm wide, open; branches ascending to nodding, glabrous or scabrous. SPIKELET: 15-30 mm, not strongly flattened; glumes glabrous or hairy, lower 4-9 mm, 1(3)-veined, upper 5-10 mm, 3-veined; lemma 10-16 mm, margin hairy, back rounded, glabrous to hairy, awn (4)6–11 mm; anthers 2–3.5(4) mm. 2n=14. Shady to open rocky woodland, ravines, meadows; < 1900 m. NW, CaR, n&c SN, CW (exc SCoRI); to BC, MT, WY. May-Aug

CALAMAGROSTIS REED GRASS

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Per, gen from rhizomes. ST: 1-15 dm, gen not branched, ± smooth; nodes (1)2-8. LF: gen basal and cauline; sheath smooth or scabrous; ligule membranous; blade flat to inrolled. **INFL**: panicle-like, open to dense; branches ± drooping to appressed; spikelets ascending to appressed. SPIKELET: glumes subequal, gen lanceolate, acute to acuminate, lower gen 1-veined, upper 3-veined; floret 1, breaking above glumes; axis prolonged beyond floret, hairy; callus hairy; lemma < glumes, awned from below middle to near base, tip gen 4-toothed, veins 3–5, awn straight to twisted, bent; palea \pm = lemma, thin. \pm 265 spp. (incl *Deyeuxia*): cool temp (esp moist montane); some forage value. (Greek: reed grass) [Marr et al. 2007 FNANM 24:706–732] Hybridization, polyploidy (diploids unknown), and asexual seed set contribute to taxonomic difficulty.

Tryonal Europe, portyprotary (arprotab annuo min), and about a continuous to announce annuous.
1. Awn exserted 1–10 mm beyond glume tips, twisted and bent 2. Panicle open, branches spreading to ascending 3. Pl from rhizomes; st 5–15 dm; lf blade gen cauline, 3–10 mm wide, flat; coastal, < 500 m
11. Glumes 5–7(7.5) mm; sts gen unbranched below with 1–2(3) nodes per st; ligules 1–4 mm, entire,
truncate, gen hidden by expanded collar below
11' Glumes 3–4.5 mm; sts gen branched below with (2)3–8 nodes per st; ligules 3–8 mm, irregularly
cut, obtuse to acute, not hidden by expanded collar below
12. Glumes smooth or scabrous, projections along keel straight, tips acute (acuminate); spikelets
2.5–3.5(4) mm
12' Glumes scabrous across entire surface, rarely smooth, projections along keel often bent, tips
acuminate; spikelets (3.5)4–4.5(5.2) mm
9' Panicle ± dense, narrow, lower branches appressed (occ ascending in <i>C. rubescens, C. stricta</i>)
13. Glumes gen < than 3 × longer than wide
14. Glumes 3–6 mm, gen thick, margin opaque; callus hairs 2–4.5 mm; spikelet axis 1–1.5 mm; longest
panicle branches 1.5–9.5 cm
panicle branches 1.5–9.5 cm. Suosp. <i>thexpansa</i> 14′ Glumes 2–3(3.5) mm, gen thin, margin ± translucent; callus hairs 1–3 mm; spikelet axis 0.5–1 mm;
longest panicle branches 1.5–4 cm subsp. <i>stricta</i>
13' Glumes gen > 3 × longer than wide
15. Lf blade with small white-opaque hooks between the veins visible only with magnification ² C. ophitidis
15' Lf blade without small white-opaque hooks between the veins
16. Lf blade gen soft-hairy on the upper surface 2C. purpurascens
16' Lf blade smooth or scabrous but not soft-hairy on the upper surface
17. Awn 4–5.5 mm; If collar scabrous or smooth; rhizomes 2–6 cm, 2–4 mm thick, stout
17' Awn 2–4 mm; If collar gen puberulent or hairy-tufted; rhizomes 10–20 cm, 1.5–2 mm thick,
slender

C. bolanderi Thurb. (p. 1435) BOLANDER'S REED GRASS Rhizomes present. ST: 5–15 dm; nodes gen 4. LF: ligule 3–5 mm; blade 3–10 mm wide, flat. INFL: 10–25 cm, ± open; lower branches 6–8 cm, spreading. SPIKELET: glumes 3–4(5) mm, smooth exc keel, tip scabrous; axis ± 1 mm, hairs 1 mm; callus hairs ± 1 mm, tufted; lemma 2.5–3 mm, scabrous, awned near base; awn (4)5–6 mm, exserted 1–3 mm beyond glume tips, strongly twisted, bent. 2*n*=56. Peatland, marshes, wet meadows in forest, coastal scrub and prairie; < 460 m. NCo; OR. Jun–Aug ★

C. breweri Thurb. (p. 1435) Cespitose; rhizomes 0. ST: 2–5.4 dm; nodes 1–3. LF: gen basal; ligule 1.7–4.1(6) mm; blade 0.4–1.7 mm wide, flat or inrolled, 7–11-veined, tip prow-shaped. INFL: (4)5.7–8.5 cm, open; lower branches 0.4–3(3.5) cm, ± spreading. SPIKELET: glumes 3.1–5 mm, smooth or keel scabrous; axis 1–2 mm, hairs 1–2 mm; callus hairs 0.3–1.2 mm, sparse; lemma 3.4–5.5 mm, awned near base; awn 3.5–5.5 mm, exserted gen (0.5)1–3 mm beyond the glume tips, twisted, bent. 2*n*=42. Moist woodland, meadows, lake margins, streambanks; 1700–2600 m. KR, n SNH; OR. Jul–Sep

C. canadensis (Michx.) P. Beauv. Cespitose, rhizomes 2–15+cm, 1–3 mm thick, stout. ST: 6–15 dm, gen branched below; nodes (2)3–8. LF: sheath glabrous to hairy; collar scabrous, rarely smooth or hairy; ligule 3–8 mm, obtuse to acute, irregularly cut, not hidden by expanded collar below; blade 3–8 mm wide, ± drooping, flat, surfaces scabrous. INFL: 10–25 cm, open to dense when young; lower branches 3–8 cm, ± spreading. SPIKELET: glumes 3–4.5 mm, smooth or scabrous, gen ± purple; axis 0.5–1 mm, hairs 1.5–3.2 mm; callus hairs 2–3.5(4.5) mm, dense; lemma 2.5–4.5 mm, thin, awned just below middle; awn 1–3 mm, not exserted, gen straight. 2*n*=42–66. Many forms, vars., subspp. have been attributed to this sp. Some pls set seed asexually.

var. *canadensis* (p. 1435) SPIKELET: spikelets 2.5–3.5(4) mm; glumes smooth or scabrous along keel, projections straight, tip acute (acuminate). Moist meadows, thickets, peatland, open woodland; 1500–3400 m. KR, CaRH, SNH; Widespread in US. Jul–Sep

var. *langsdorfii* (Link) Inman **SPIKELET**: spikelets (3.5)4–4.5(5.2) mm; glumes scabrous across entire surface (smooth), projec-

tions along keel often bent, tips acuminate. Moist meadows, thickets, peatland, open woodland; 1500-3400 m. KR, CaRH, SNH; Mostly w US, Can, Greenland. Jul-Sep

C. foliosa Kearney (p. 1435) LEAFY REED GRASS Cespitose. ST: 3-6(7) dm, tufted; nodes 2-3. LF: gen basal; ligule 4-6 mm; blade 1-2 mm wide, inrolled, upper surface scabrous. INFL: 5-12 cm, dense, narrow; lower branches < 4 cm, ascending to appressed. SPIKELET: glumes 8–10 mm, scabrous; axis 1.5–4 mm, hairs 2–3 mm; callus hairs 2-3 mm; lemma 5-7(8) mm, awned near base; awn 12–15(17) mm, exserted 4–10 mm beyond glume tips, bent, twisted. 2n=28. Coastal scrub, forest, rock outcrops, crevices, cliffs; < 1250 m. NCo, KR, NCoRO. May-Aug *

C. koelerioides Vasey (p. 1435) Cespitose, rhizomes 2–6 cm, 2–4 mm thick, stout. ST: 6-10+ dm, nodes 3-5. LF: sheath \pm scabrous; scabrous or smooth near collar; ligule 3-7 mm; blade 3-7 mm wide, flat or inrolled, scabrous or smooth. INFL: 5-16 cm, gen dense; branches gen < 3 cm, appressed. SPIKELET: glumes 4-6 mm, scabrous esp on keel; axis ± 1 mm, hairs 1–2 mm; callus hairs < 2 mm, sparse, tufted; lemma (3.5)4-5.5(6) mm, awned near base; awn 4-5.5 mm, < 1 mm exserted beyond the glume tips or $\pm =$ glume tips, stiff, twisted, bent. 2n=28. Meadows, slopes, dry hills, ridges; < 2300 m. NW, CW, PR; to WA, ID, MT, WY. Larger pls like C. nutkaensis. Jun-Aug

C. muiriana B.L. Wilson & Sami Gray Cespitose; rhizomes 0. ST: 1.2-3.4 dm; nodes 1-3. LF: gen basal; ligule 0.8-2.5 mm; blade 0.2-0.4 mm wide, inrolled, 3-5-veined, tip straight-sided. INFL: 1.9–5.7(7.5) cm, open; lower branches 0.4-2(3.5) cm, \pm spreading. **SPIKELET**: glumes 3–4.5 mm, smooth or keel scabrous; axis ± 2 mm, hairs 0.5-1 mm; callus hairs 0.3-0.6 mm, sparse; lemma 2.5-4 mm, awned near base; awn 3.3-6 mm, exserted gen (0.5)1-3 mm beyond the glume tips, twisted, bent. 2*n*=28. Meadows, lake margins, streambanks; 2480-3900 m. c&s SNH. Jul-Sep

C. nutkaensis (J. Presl) Steud. (p. 1435) Cespitose, rhizomes 3–6 cm, 1.5–3 mm thick, stout. ST: 6–11(15) dm, gen unbranched below; nodes 1-2(3). LF: sheath loosely open at st base; collar smooth; ligule 1-4 mm, truncate, entire, gen hidden by expanded collar; blade 4–10(20) mm wide, flat, upper surface smooth. INFL: 12–30 cm, \pm open below, narrow above; branches < 5-7+ cm, ascending. SPIKE-LET: glumes 5-7(7.5) mm, smooth to scabrous esp on keel; axis 0.5–1 mm, hairs 0.5–1.2 mm, sparse; callus hairs (1.5)2–2.5(3) mm; lemma 4–5 mm, awned \pm near middle; awn 1–3 mm, not exserted, straight or slightly twisted, bent. 2*n*=28. Wet areas, beaches, dunes, coastal woodland, inland marshes; < 1070 m. NCo, CCo, SnFrB; to AK. May-Aug

C. ophitidis (J.T. Howell) Nygren (p. 1435) SERPENTINE REED GRASS Cespitose, often with rhizomes 2–15 cm. ST: 5.5–10 dm, clumped; nodes 3-5. LF: ligule 2-5.5(7) mm; blade (1.5)2-4 mm wide, gen inrolled, scabrous, with small white-opaque hooks between veins, visible only with magnification. INFL: 8–15 cm, ± dense, narrow; branches < 4 cm, gen appressed. SPIKELET: glumes (5)6.5-8 mm, scabrous esp on keel, gen pale; axis ± 2 mm, hairs 1–2 mm; calhis hairs < 2 mm; lemma 4 5–6 5 mm, awned near base; awn 5–6 5(8) mm, incl to exserted ± 2 mm beyond the glume tips, twisted, bent. 2n=28. Meadows, seeps, grassland, chaparral, forest, gen on serpentine soils; < 1065 m. s NCoRO, n CCo, n SnFrB. May–Jun ★

C. purpurascens R. Br. (p. 1435) Cespitose; rhizomes 1-4 cm. ST: 1-8 dm; nodes (1)2-3. LF: collar glabrous to short-hairy; ligule 2-6 mm; blade 2-5 mm wide, flat, lower surface smooth, upper gen soft-hairy. INFL: 4–15 cm, dense, narrow; branches < 3.5 cm. SPIKELET: glumes 4.5-8 mm, scabrous; axis 1-2 mm, hairs 1-2 mm; callus hairs 1-2.5 mm; lemma 3.5-5 mm, awned near base; awn (4.6)6-7.5(9) mm, exserted (0.5)1-3 mm beyond glume tips, twisted, bent. 2n=28,40-58,84. Rocky slopes, grassland, meadows, forest, gen on sandy soils; 1300-4000 m. CaRH, SN, n SNE (Sweetwater Mtns), W&I; to AK, Siberia, Greenland. Some pls set seed asexually. Jul-Sep

C. rubescens Buckley (p. 1435) PINE REED GRASS Loosely cespitose; rhizomes 10-20 cm, 1.5-2 mm thick, slender. ST: 6-10 dm; nodes 2-3. LF: sheath smooth, gen puberulent or hairy-tufted near collar; ligule 3-5 mm; blade 2-5 mm wide, flat, lower surface smooth or scabrous, upper surface scabrous, occ short-hairy. INFL: 6–15(25) cm, dense to \pm open; branches < 2–4 cm. **SPIKELET**: glumes 4–5 mm, smooth to scabrous esp on keel; axis \pm 1 mm, hairs < 2 mm; callus hairs < 2 mm; lemma 3-4 mm, awned near base; awn 2–4 mm, exserted < 1 mm beyond glume tips or \pm = glume tips, strongly twisted, bent. 2n=28,42,56. Wooded slopes, montane forest, chaparral, meadows; < 900 m. NCo, NCoRO, CW, n ChI (Santa Cruz Island); to sw Can, Rocky Mtns. Jun-Sep

C. stricta (Timm) Koeler Loosely cespitose. ST: 2-12 dm. LF: sheath smooth; ligule 1-5.5 mm; blade 2-5 mm wide, gen inrolled, lower surface gen smooth, upper surface smooth to scabrous. INFL: 5-20 cm, dense, narrow; branches < 1.5-9.5 cm, ascending to appressed. SPIKELET: glumes 2-6 mm, smooth to scabrous; axis 0.5–1.5 mm, hairs 1.5–3 mm; callus hairs 1–4.5 mm; lemma 2–5 mm, finely scabrous, awned at or below middle; awn \pm = glume tip, gen straight. Subspp. intergrade.

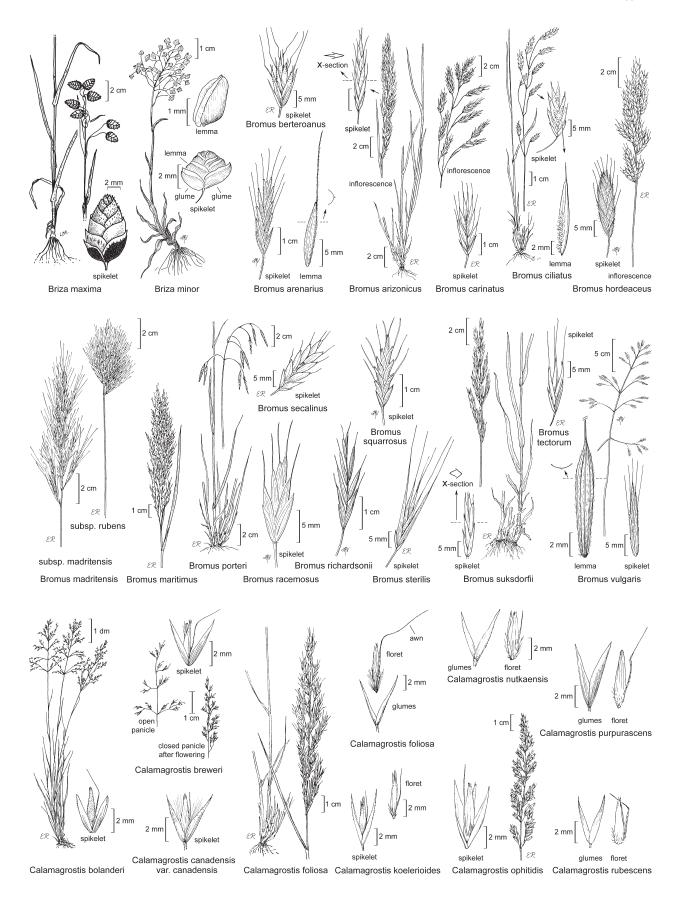
subsp. inexpansa (A. Gray) C.W. Greene (p. 1439) ST: 4-12 dm. LF: ligule 2-5.5 mm; blade flat, strongly scabrous, upper surface gen glaucous. INFL: 6-20 cm; longest branches 1.5-9.5 cm. SPIKELET: glumes 3-6 mm, gen thick, margin opaque; axis 1-1.5 mm; callus hairs 2-4.5 mm; lemma 2.5-5 mm; awn occ twisted, bent, stiff; anthers gen sterile. Slopes, meadows, coastal marshes; < 3400 m. NW, CaR, n&c SNH, CCo; to AK, ne N.Am, ne Asia. [C. crassiglumis Thurb.] Some pls set seed asexually. Jun–Aug ★

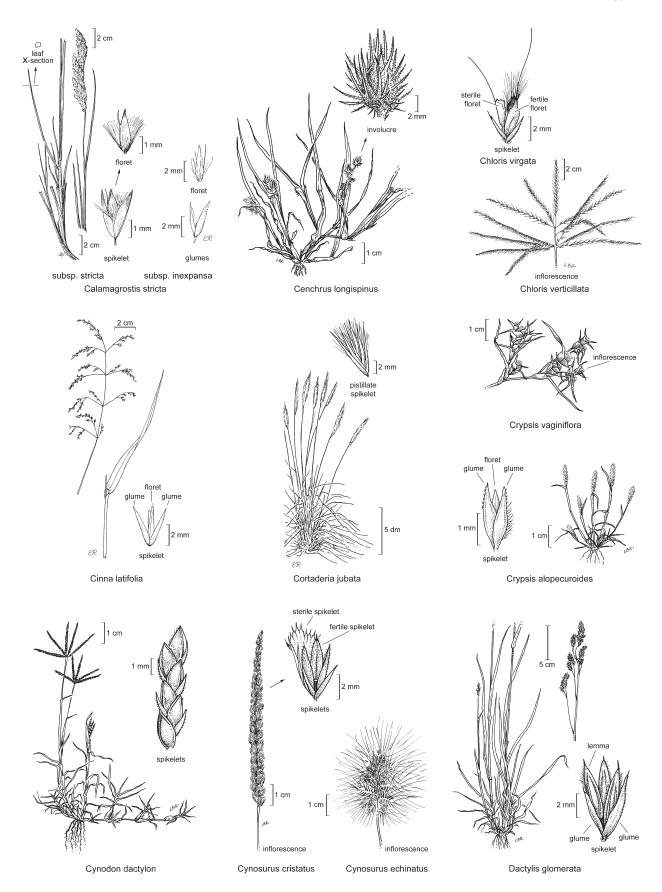
subsp. *stricta* (p. 1439) ST: 2–9 dm. LF: ligule 1–3.5(4) mm; blade gen inrolled, upper surface smooth to scabrous. INFL: 5-12 cm; longest branches 1.5-4 cm. SPIKELET: glumes 2-3(3.5) mm, gen thin, margin \pm translucent; axis 0.5-1 mm; callus hairs 1-3 mm; lemma 2-3.5 mm; awn straight, slender; anthers gen fertile. $2n=28,42,56,\pm70$. Conifer forest, meadows, slopes; 1500–3350 m. SNH, W&I; to AK, ne N.Am, Eurasia. Jul-Aug

CENCHRUS SANDBUR

Ann, per. ST: 5-100(200) cm, erect or decumbent, gen bent; nodes and internodes gen glabrous; internode solid to spongy. LF: basal and cauline; sheath gen smooth; ligule short-hairy or membranous, ciliate; blade flat or folded, margins gen cartilaginous. INFL: panicle-like, central axis wavy, with reduced branches bearing burs, each consisting of 1-4(8) ± sessile spikelets gen enclosed by an involucre of flattened or cylindric bristle- or spine-like, ± fused bracts, these gen forming an inner and outer set; involucre and enclosed spikelets falling as 1 unit. SPIKELET: ± dorsally compressed; glumes strongly unequal, ovate, lower 1-veined, upper ±= florets, 3–9-veined; florets 2, lower floret sterile or staminate, lemma gen 5-veined, palea gen present, upper floret fertile, lemma thick, \pm hard, palea \pm = lemma; anthers 3. \pm 16 spp.: warm temp Am, Afr, s Asia. (Uncertain. Greek: for millet or Latin for a precious stone) [Stieber & Wipff 2003 FNANM 25:529-535] C. ciliaris L. is now treated as Pennisetum ciliare (L.) Link.

- 1. Bur with 1 whorl of flattened, fused inner bracts subtended by 1–several whorls of smaller, finer bracts C. echinatus
- 1' Bur with several whorls of flattened spines, these at irregular intervals through body of bur
- 2. Sheaths strongly keeled; bracts 45–75, slender, < 1 mm wide; spikelets 5.8–7.8 mm
- Sheaths compressed, but not strongly keeled; bracts 8-40, broader at base, 1-3 mm; spikelets 3.5-5.9 mm





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