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Phalaris arenarius

[Synonyms : *Achnodon arenarius*, *Achnodonton arenarium*, *Chilochloa arenaria*, *Phleum arenarium*]

SAND CAT'S-TAIL is an annual grass. Native to western Europe (including Britain) it has tiny, occasionally purple-tinged, pale green spikelets.

It is also known as *Hietatähkiö* (Finnish), *Hietikkötähkiö* (Finnish), *Rhonwellt y Tywyn* (Welsh), *Sandkampe* (Swedish), *Sand-Lieschgras* (German), *Sandtimotej* (Swedish), Sand timothy, and Sand timothy grass.

Arenarius is derived from Latin *harena* (sand) meaning 'of or from sandy places'.