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*Polypogon monspeliensis*

[Synonyms : *Agrostis alopecuroides*, *Agrostis crinita*, *Alopecurus aristatus* var. *monspeliensis*, *Alopecurus monspeliensis*, *Phalaris aristata*, *Phalaris crinita*, *Phalaris cristata*, *Phleum crinitum*, *Phleum monspeliensis*, *Polypogon crinitus*, *Polypogon flavescens*, *Polypogon monspeliensis* fo. *argentinus*, *Polypogon monspeliensis* fo. *nana*, *Santia monspeliensis*]

**ANNUAL BEARD-GRASS** is an annual grass. Native to Europe it has wispy light- to yellowish-green spikelets.

It is also known as Annual bean grass, Annual rabbitsfoot grass, Beard flower grass, Beard grass, *Denb il-Liebru* (Maltese), *Dhail-al-bazzūn* (Arabic), Montpellier beardgrass, Rabbitfoot beardgrass, Rabbitfoot grass, Rabbitfoot polypogon, Rabbit's foot-grass, *Ranskalainen sukaheinä* (Finnish), *Ranskansukaheinä* (Finnish), *Skäggräs* (Swedish), and *Vousec středomořský* (Czech).

The flowers are pollinated by the wind.

*Monspeliensis* means 'of or from Montpellier in southern France'.

This grass provided food for the North American Tubatulabal Indian tribe in California, and some of the Navajo Indian tribe used it medicinally to treat heart problems.

Some authorities state that although this grass is grazed by animals it is not often considered to be valuable fodder. Despite this view however experts on south-eastern Asia believe that for that region this grass provides an animal feed.

Annual beard-grass is cultivated as an ornamental.