

BLUE-EYED GRASS
Sisyrinchium



Sisyrinchium is a large genus of annual to perennial plants of the iris family, native to the New World, whose species are known as blue-eyed grasses.

These are not true grasses, but many species have the general appearance of grasses, as they are low-growing plants with long, thin leaves. They often grow on grasslands.

Many species, particularly the South American ones, are not blue, despite the common name. The genus includes species with blue, white, yellow, and purple petals, often with a contrasting centre. Of the species in the United States, the Western Blue-eyed Grass, *Sisyrinchium bellum*, is sometimes found with white flowers, while the California Golden-eyed Grass, *Sisyrinchium californicum*, has yellow flowers.