

Pampas Grass

(*Cortaderia jubata* and *C. selloana*)

What is Pampas grass? Why is it bad?

Pampas grass is a giant tussock forming perennial grass with saw toothed leaves and white to pink flower plumes. Pampas grass seeds itself freely, dispersing long distances. Once established, it can crowd out native plants, damage grazing lands, and create a fire hazard.

Pampas is a severe pest in California and New Zealand. On Maui, pampas grass has been found from Iao Valley to Haleakala Crater.



What should you do if you see this plant?

1. Call the HEAR project at 572-4418.
2. Dig out the plant, if possible. Otherwise treat with an appropriate herbicide.
3. For more information, call 572-4418 or websurf to <http://www.hear.org>.



You can help keep Maui no ka oi.
Report all sightings of Pampas grass to the HEAR project at 572-4418.