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## Native Turf and Groundcover Recommendations Communities near Dallas, TX

This area is located in the Texas Blackland Prairie within the Great Plains Ecoregion.

Good individual species substitutes for Bermudagrass include:

*Bouteloua dactyloides* (buffalograss) - native to Austin, Dallas, and Houston areas

*Bouteloua gracilis* (blue grama) - native to Austin area and close to Dallas

*Bouteloua curtipendula* var. *curtipendula* (side oats grama) - native to Austin, Dallas, and Houston areas (this variety is rhizomatous rather than clumping)

*Hilaria belangeri* (curly mesquite) - native to Austin area, but could still be used)

Seed mixes that contain some combinations of the above species include:

Native American Seed's Native Sun Turf Grass mix [https://www.seedsource.com/catalog/detail.asp?product\\_id=2850](https://www.seedsource.com/catalog/detail.asp?product_id=2850)

Bamert Seed Company's Native Turf Blend  
<https://shop.bamertseed.com/collections/urban-habitat/products/native-turf-blend>

(Native American Seed's Thunder Turf Grass mix [https://www.seedsource.com/catalog/detail.asp?product\\_id=2855](https://www.seedsource.com/catalog/detail.asp?product_id=2855) – not all species native to Dallas area, but could still be used)

(*Stenotaphrum secundatum* (St. Augustine grass) is by some accounts native to the southeastern US, and by others considered adventive. At the very least, it should be considered more favorable to use than the invasive *Cynodon dactylon* (Bermudagrass).)