

Annual Temperate Grasses

CROP/SPECIE	CULTIVARS *PBR # EXCL	SEEDING KG/HA	RAINFALL MM/YEAR	SUITED REGIONS	PLANTING MONTHS	SOIL REQUIRED	REMARKS
Italian Ryegrass <i>Lolium multiflorum</i> (D-Dipliod) (T-Tetraploid)	# Agriton (D) # Exalta (D) *Magnifico *Agriboost (D) NEW (High Energy) Tabu (D) NEW	Drilled 20 Broadcast 25	Irrigation 25-30 per week Preferably according to tensiometer readings	W Cape S Cape E Cape E Free State NW Province Mphumalanga KZN	Mar-May/Sep-Oct	Well drained clay to loam soils Acid saturation level below 5 for best results	Pasture management important to ensure persistence. Allow grass to grow 3-4 leaves before you graze it down to a height of 5cm. Good pasture management is the key to maximising pasture quality and achieving high ME levels. Italian ryegrass cultivars can be sown in spring and if managed well will produce for 18 months. Italian cultivars springs own do not produce as much in winter as autumn sowings. Ensure soils are fertilised according to analysis for best results.
Westerwold Ryegrass <i>Lolium multiflorum</i> (D-Dipliod) (T-Tetraploid)	* Peleton (T) * Archie (T) Energa (T) Agri-Hilton (D)	Drilled 20 Broadcast 25	Irrigation only in SA 25-30 per week	W Cape S Cape E Cape E Free State NW Province Mphumalanga KZN	Feb-Apr	Well drained clay to loam soils Acid saturation level below 5 for best results	Pasture management important to ensure persistence. Allow grass to grow 3-4 leaves before you graze it down to a height of 5cm. Good pasture management is the key to maximising pasture quality and achieving high ME levels. These cultivars should only be established in autumn and not in spring. Ensure soils are fertilised according to analysis for best results.