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Forage Guide

BLEND | ALFALFA & LEGUMES | GRASSES | ANNUALS | CORN | SEED PRODUCTION

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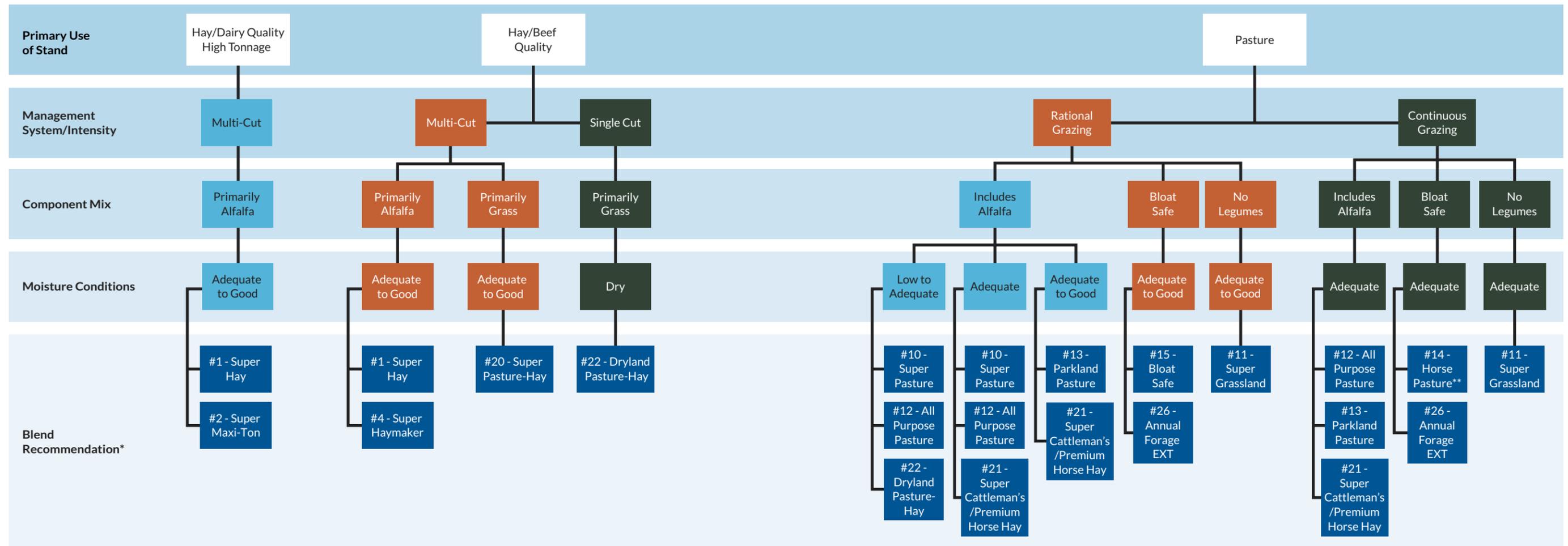
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Stock Blend Selector

BrettYoung has carefully crafted our stock blends to give you a high level of productivity over a wide range of environments and uses in Western Canada. Our stock blend selector can help you find the blend best suited to your operation. And though we've put thoughtful agronomics into each stock blend, we know sometimes you need a custom blend to suit your distinct needs. Our RAMs can help create a custom blend perfectly tailored to your requirements.



* See pages 6 to 9 for more information on the stock blends and their compositions.
 ** White clover can cause bloat in cattle.

Stock Blend Seeding Rates by Soil Zone

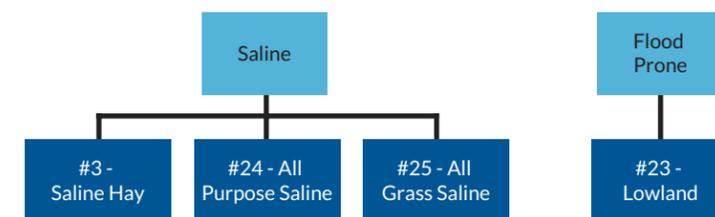
Recommended forage blend seeding rates. Generally, plant populations and consequently, seeding rates, should increase with increasing soil quality and availability of moisture.

Considerations:

- All rates assume Canada #1 Grade for purity and germination
- When broadcasting, seeding rate should increase by approximately 30%

Brown soil:	8 - 10 lb. per acre
Dark brown soil:	10 - 12 lb. per acre
Black soil:	12 - 14 lb. per acre
Grey wooded soil:	10 - 14 lb. per acre
Irrigation:	14 - 16 lb. per acre

Special Soil Considerations



Stock Blends

BrettYoung offers a wide variety of stock blends built for Western Canadian conditions and management practices.

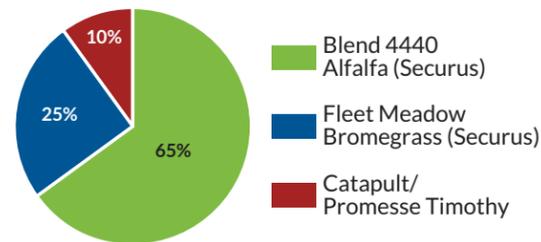


BrettYoung's SUPER forage blends are our proven performers. With thoughtful agronomics and years of infield experience, you can count on high yields, outstanding quality, and persistence that can handle whatever conditions you throw at them.

Hay Blends

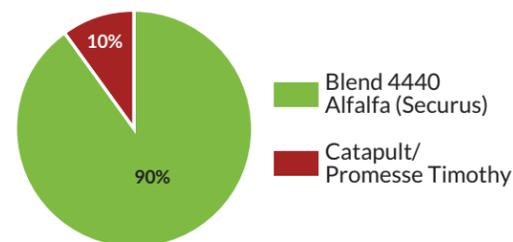
#1 - Super Hay

Excellent two-cut alfalfa/grass mix



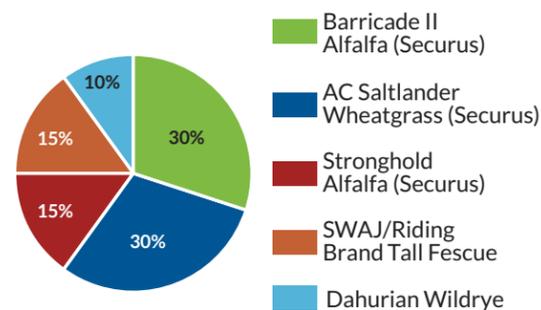
#2 - Super Maxi-Ton

Maximum tonnage and protein



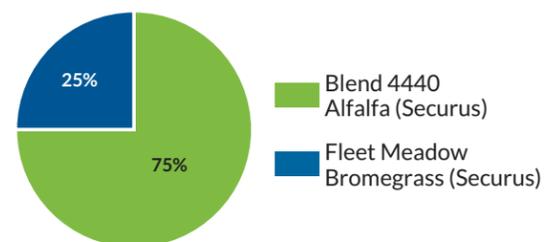
#3 - Saline Hay

Top tonnage in saline soils



#4 - Super Haymaker

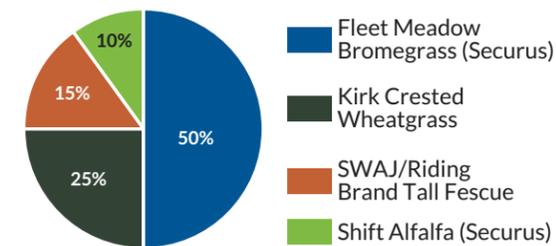
Ideal for one or two-cut systems across most production areas



Pasture Blends

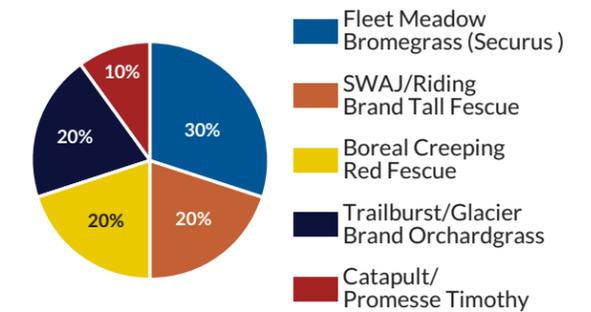
#10 - Super Pasture

Excellent early spring pasture, produces well under stress



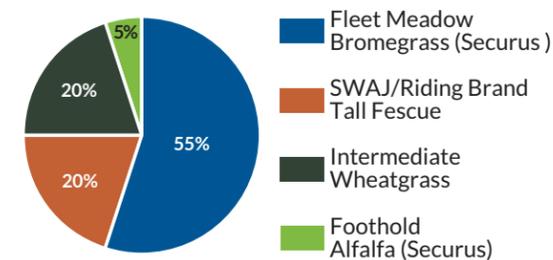
#11 - Super Grassland

Maximize regrowth and quality with no risk of bloat, suitable for variable topographies



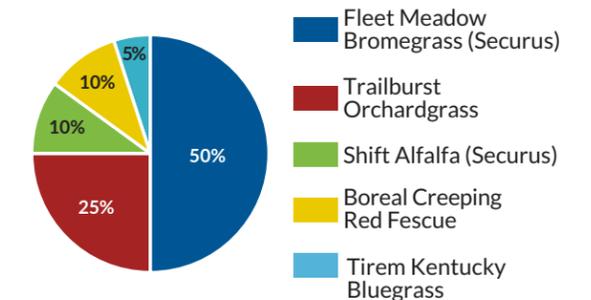
#12 - All Purpose Pasture

Widely adapted for most pasture needs with easy establishment and quality regrowth



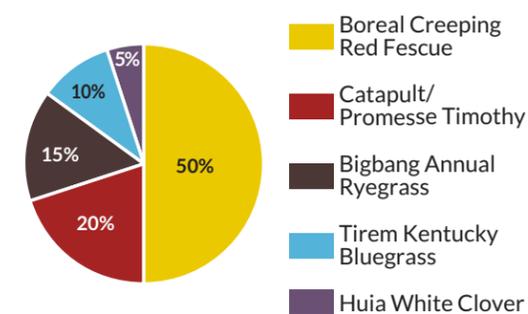
#13 - Parkland Pasture

High-yielding pasture that works well in high traffic areas and aggressive grazing systems



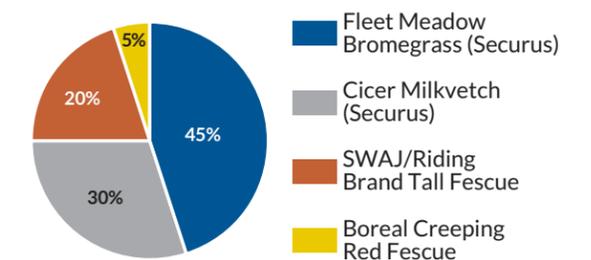
#14 - Horse Pasture

Easy to establish, low-maintenance blend, excellent for acreages, farmyards, high-traffic areas, and horse pastures



#15 - Bloat Safe

Increased quality with no risk of bloat

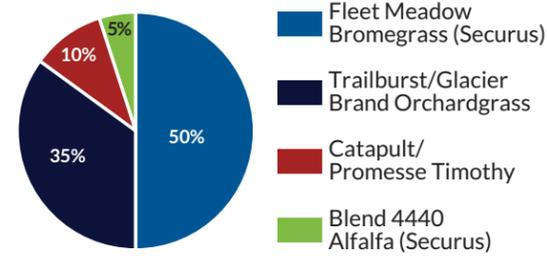


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Dual Purpose Blends

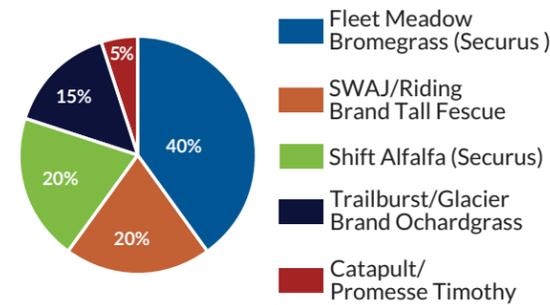
#20 - Super Pasture-Hay

Quick drydown time in a swath



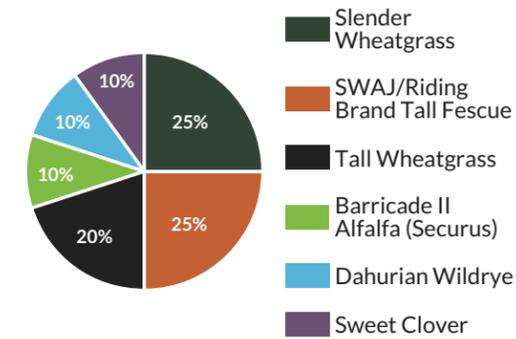
#21 - Super Cattleman's / Premium Horse Hay

High-protein pasture with superb regrowth, quick to establish, and ideal for horses



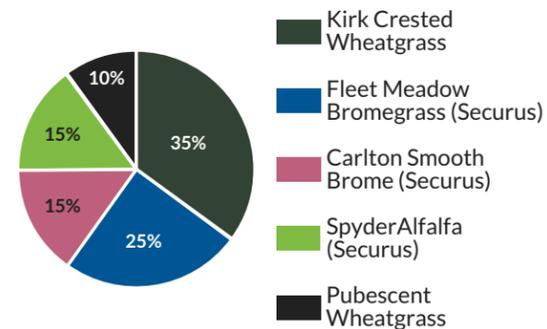
#24 - All Purpose Saline

Quick establishment in saline areas with good longevity and helps reclaim saline areas over time



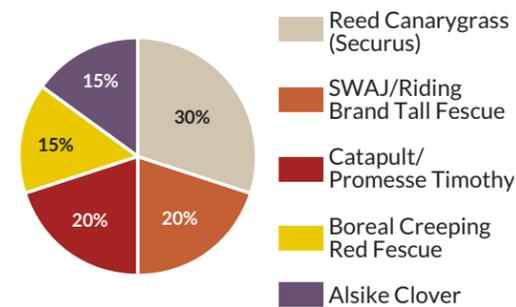
#22 - Dryland Pasture-Hay

Long-lived productive pasture/hay blend for very dry regions



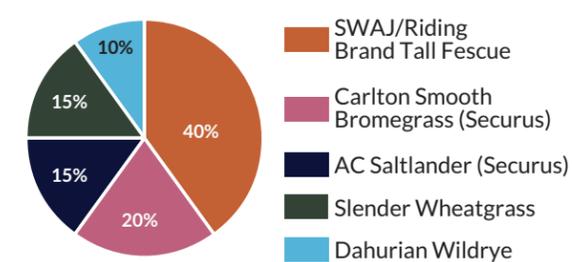
#23 - Lowland

Excellent blend to reclaim areas prone to flooding, aggressive root systems will help utilize moisture



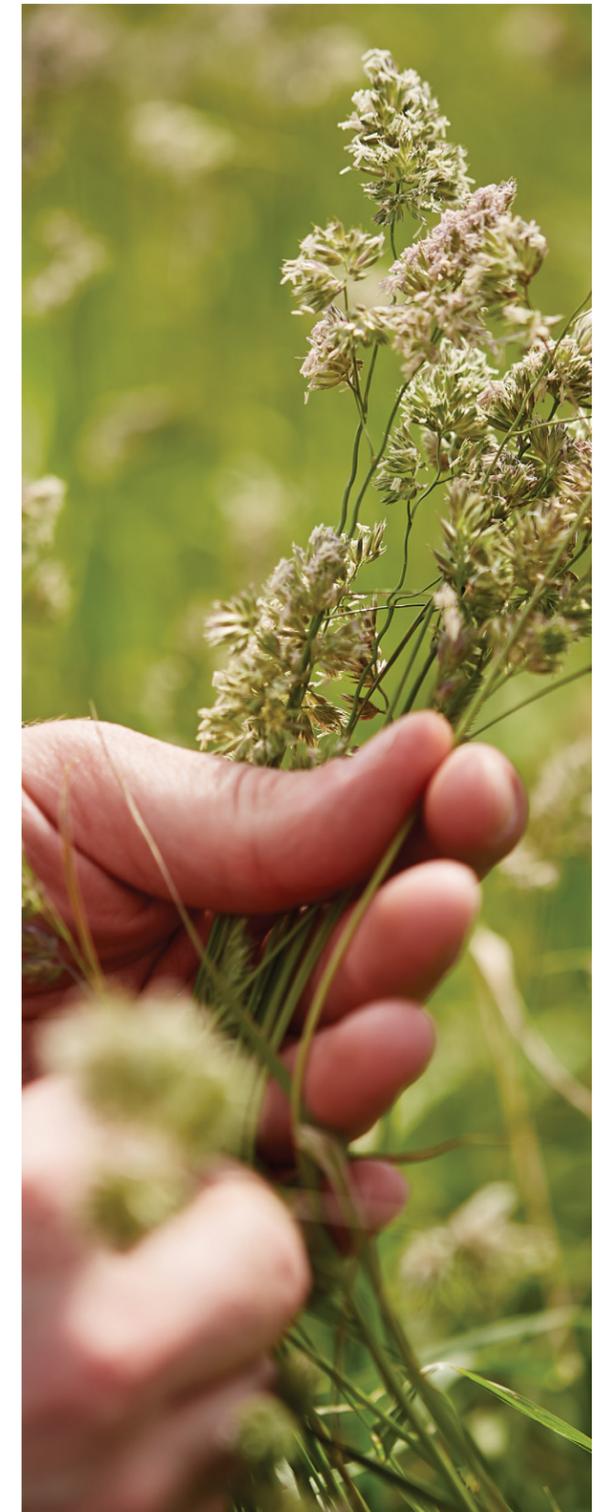
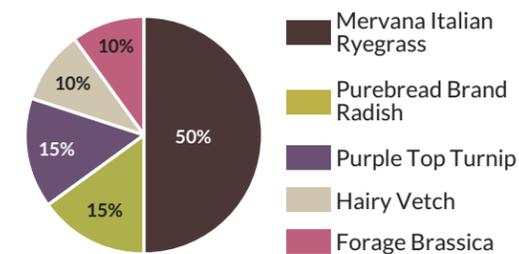
#25 - All Grass Saline

Rapid establishment in saline areas, good longevity, and no risk of bloat



#26 - Annual Forage EXT

Long-season cocktail crop grazing applications with soil improvement benefits



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Try our Stock Blend Selector

BrettYoung's online tool helps you narrow down your stock blend options based on your intended use and soil type.

For more information, go to brettyoung.ca/stock-blend-selector or scan the QR code.



High Performance Forages

Have specific needs when it comes to selecting a forage? BrettYoung is your full-service forage provider, with a solution to every problem.

Forages are the foundation of BrettYoung. Over the years, we've worked to ensure our extensive forage lineup has everything you need, and we continue to improve it and add to it every day.

Alfalfa

BrettYoung can offer you alfalfas with branch root suited to wet conditions, alfalfas with a sunken crown for grazing, alfalfas to maximize your production with fast regrowth for multiple cuts, alfalfas to survive and thrive in saline conditions, and more.

Kent Price, Forage Seed Specialist for BrettYoung, said we have the most advanced line of alfalfas in Western Canada.

"BrettYoung does an exceptional job of assessing our alfalfa line and bringing in new genetics as they become available," he said. "We always have new, high-end genetics to offer our growers."

One of our most popular products is Blend 4440, a blend of our premium, certified alfalfas. Blend 4440 is always improving to ensure it's only filled with the best.

We listen to our growers' needs and adjust Blend 4440 to keep up with your needs.

Stock Blends

Along with our individual offerings, we also have a diverse line of stock blends. Each has been carefully curated with thoughtful agronomics to give you the product you need and the outcome you deserve. Our proven performers come with a 'SUPER' label, so you know they work. Some of our top performers are:

- #1 – Super Hay
- #2 – Super Maxi-Ton
- #11 – Super Grassland

BrettYoung has an equally extensive forage grass portfolio that includes Canadian-bred products ideally suited to our conditions, like AC Killarney, a winter hardy orchardgrass, and AC Saltlander Wheatgrass, a variety that increases the productivity of marginal land due to saline issues.

"Growers need to maximize feed production and stay on top of things like diseases, insects, and other challenges," said Price. "Our forage portfolio evolves with you to meet your needs."

CDC Torsion Meadow Bromegrass

Bromegrass is a foundational component of many forage blends in Western Canada thanks to its high yield, wide adaptability, and excellent winterhardiness. CDC Torsion takes bromegrass performance to the next level, delivering you higher forage yields than check varieties — and similar maturity and rapid regrowth.

Developed by the Crop Development Center at the University of Saskatchewan, CDC Torsion was tested

in regional trials and demonstrated consistent performance and high yields across soil zones in Western Canada. CDC Torsion consistently outyielded Fleet, delivering a 6% yield advantage in trials conducted in Swift Current, Saskatoon, and Melfort, SK in 2018 and 2019.

Choose CDC Torsion to take your hay and pasture production to the next level.

The Premier Certified Alfalfa Blend for the Canadian Prairies

Blend 4440 is a mixture of premium, certified alfalfas that combine the strengths of our best varieties:

- High yield
- Superior winterhardiness
- Disease resistance
- Salt tolerance
- Traffic tolerance
- Multifoliate expression
- Unique rooting habits

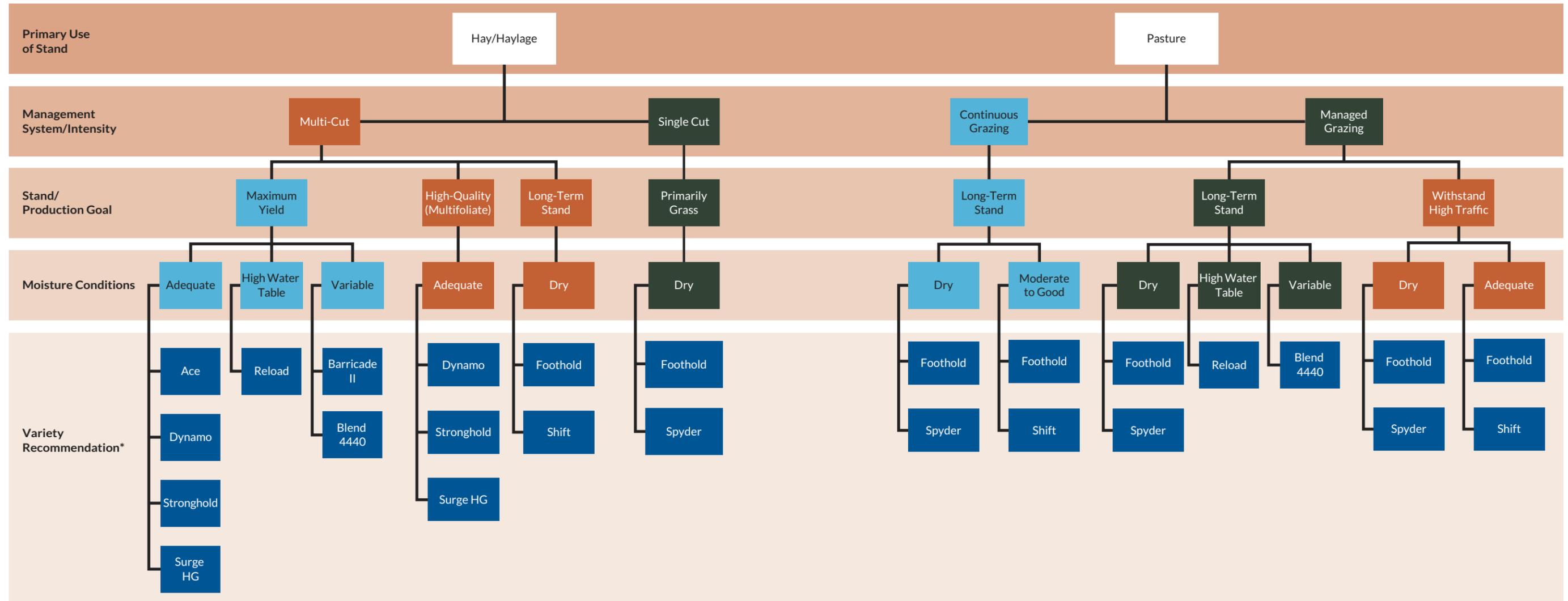
The combination of these unique characteristics makes Blend 4440 suitable for a wide range of growing conditions. Demand the best varietal alfalfa blend in the prairies. Choose Blend 4440.

Blend Composition	Description
Ace (Tap Root)	Exceptional yield and quality
Barricade II Alfalfa (Salt Tolerant Tap Root)	Salt tolerance with outstanding disease resistance and yield
Dynamo (Multifoliate)	High multifoliate expression
Foothold Alfalfa (creeping root)	Spreading root type with exceptional winterhardiness and improved disease resistance
Reload (Branch Root)	Branch root for optimum performance in poorly drained soils
Stronghold (Durable Tap Root)	Excellent winter survival, good quality, and persistence



Alfalfa Variety Selector

BrettYoung's complete portfolio of high-performance alfalfa will meet your every need.



*For detailed descriptions and features of all alfalfa varieties, see pages 14-15.

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Alfalfa Varieties

Intended Use	Variety	Rooting Habit	Plant Type	Preferred Growing Conditions	Variety Key Features	Species Limitations	Production Period		Fall Dormancy Rating	Winter-hardiness	Disease Resistance Index	Environmental Tolerances					Approx. Seeds/lb	
												Drought	Flooding	Optimum pH	Acidity	Alkalinity		Salinity
Hay	Ace	Tap root	Upright	Widely adapted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Top forage yields • Premium quality • Aggressive regrowth delivering multiple cuts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bloat hazard • Needs good drainage 	Spring to Fall		4.0	1.5	34/35	Good	Low	6.0-7.8	Low to Moderate	Moderate to High	Low to Moderate	225,000
	Dynamo	Tap root	Upright Multifoliate	Widely adapted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High multifoliate expression • Max tonnage and regrowth • Exceptional forage quality 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bloat hazard • Needs good drainage 	Spring to Fall		4.0	1.9	34/35	Good	Low	6.0-7.8	Low to Moderate	Moderate to High	Low to Moderate	225,000
	Reload	Branch root	Upright	Widely adapted; does well with higher water table	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tolerance to saturated soils • Improved root protection and durability • Long and persistent stand life 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bloat hazard 	Spring to Fall		3.6	1.6	30/30	Good	Low to Moderate	6.0-7.8	Low to Moderate	Moderate to High	Low to Moderate	225,000
	Blend 4440	Mixed	Upright	Widely adapted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blend of certified varieties • Widely adapted • High yield potential • Excellent winterhardiness • Disease resistance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bloat hazard • Needs good drainage 	Spring to Fall		3.5	1.8	30/30	Good	Low	6.0-7.8	Low to Moderate	Moderate to High	Low to Moderate	225,000
	Barricade II	Tap root	Upright	Widely adapted; suitable for moderate saline conditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next-generation salt tolerance • Improved establishment and vigour in saline conditions • Excellent winterhardiness 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bloat hazard • Needs good drainage 	Spring to Fall		4.0	1.9	30/30	Good	Low	6.0-7.8	Low to Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	225,000
	Stronghold	Tap root	Upright Multifoliate	Widely adapted; winterhardiness and quality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent yield and quality • Superior winterhardiness with low dormancy • Excellent disease resistance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bloat hazard • Needs good drainage 	Spring to Fall		3.0	1.3	30/30	Good	Low	6.0-7.8	Low to Moderate	Low to Moderate	Low to High	225,000
	Surge HG	Tap root	Upright Multifoliate	Widely adapted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hi-Gest™ Alfalfa Technology • Improved fibre digestion and crude protein • More pounds of milk per cow 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bloat hazard • Needs good drainage 	Spring to Fall		4.0	1.7	34/35	Good	Low	6.0-7.8	Low to Moderate	Moderate to High	Low to Moderate	225,000
Hay & Pasture	Shift	Deep-set crown	Upright Multifoliate	Widely adapted; suitable to pasture or longlived hay	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High traffic tolerance due to deep-set crown • High forage yield • Excellent disease resistance package • High level of multifoliate expression 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bloat hazard • Needs good drainage 	Spring to Fall		3.0	1.4	35/35	Good	Low	6.0-7.8	Low to Moderate	Moderate to High	Low to Moderate	225,000
	Foothold	Creeping root	Prostrate Multifoliate	Widely adapted; suitable to pasture or longlived hay	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High traffic tolerance due to oversized crown • High leaf-to-stem ratio • Excellent winterhardiness and disease resistance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bloat hazard • Needs good drainage 	Spring to Fall		2.0	1.7	30/30	Good	Low	6.0-7.8	Low to Moderate	Moderate to High	Low to Moderate	225,000
	Spyder	Creeping root	Upright	Drier regions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent winterhardiness • Creeping-rooted type • Good regrowth for low dormancy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bloat hazard • Needs good drainage 	Spring to Fall		1.0	1.0	27/30	Good	Low	6.0-7.8	Low to Moderate	Moderate to High	Low to Moderate	225,000

Legume Varieties

Group	Intended Use	Species	Variety	Rooting Habit	Plant Type	Preferred Growing Conditions	Variety Key Features	Species Limitations	Production Period	Winter-hardiness	Environmental Tolerances						Approx. Seeds/lb	Pure Stand Seeding Rate lb/ac
											Drought	Flooding	Optimum pH	Acidity	Alkalinity	Salinity		
Bloat-Free Legume	Pasture	Birdsfoot Trefoil	Leo	Tap root with branches	Low-growing	Adapted to areas with higher moisture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good winterhardiness • High flood tolerance • Bloat-free legume 	Difficult to establish	Spring to Fall	Moderate to Good	Moderate	High	6.2-6.5	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low	370,000	7
		Cicer Milkvetch		Creeping root	Upright	Widely adapted; creeps best in coarser, textured soils	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Widely adapted • Moderately tolerant to salinity • Ideal pasture legume • Bloat-free legume 	Difficult to establish	Late Spring to Fall	Very High	Moderate to High	Low	6.0-7.8	Low to Moderate	Moderate	Low to Moderate	120,000	10-12
		Sainfoin		Tap root	Upright	Widely adapted to well-drained soils	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good drought tolerance • Good to excellent winterhardiness • Good tolerance to alkaline soils • Bloat-free legume 	Limited regrowth	Spring to Summer	Good	Moderate to High	Low	6.0-7.8	Low	Moderate	Low	25,000	40
Clover	Hay & Pasture	Alsike Clover	Aurora	Branch root	Low-growing	Low-lying moist areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tolerant to poorly drained soils • Excellent winterhardiness • Flood tolerance • Fits shorter-term stands 	Bloat hazard; Risk for grazing horses	Spring	Excellent	Low to Moderate	Moderate to High	5.7-7.0	Moderate	Low to Moderate	Low	680,000	5
		Double-Cut Red Clover	Wildcat	Tap root with branches	Upright	Best suited to areas with good moisture and good drainage; tolerates lower pH soils	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Top-yielding red clover • Strong winterhardiness • High moisture tolerance 	Bloat hazard; Short-lived	Spring	Strong	Low	Moderate	5.5-7.5	Moderate	Moderate	Low	240,000	6-8
		Red Clover Single-Cut		Tap root with branches	Upright	Best suited to areas with good moisture and good drainage; tolerates lower pH soils	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent emergence • Tolerates acidic soils • Short-lived perennial 	Bloat hazard; Short-lived	Spring	Good	Low to Moderate	Moderate	5.5-7.5	Moderate	Moderate	Low	275,000	6-8
		Yellow Blossom Sweet Clover	Norgold	Tap root	Upright	Widely adapted; very productive on well-drained, fertile soils	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low coumarin for reduced risk of bleeding diseases in cattle • Commonly used as a soil builder • Good winterhardiness 	Biennial	Spring of second year (biennial)	Good	Moderate to High	Low	6.5-7.5	Low	Moderate	Moderate	250,000	8-10
	Pasture	White Clover	Huia	Rhizomatous	Low-growing	Prefers heavier, moist soils	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low-growing • Tolerant to close mowing and grazing 	Bloat hazard	Spring to Fall	Good	Low	Low to Moderate	5.5-7.0	Moderate	Low	Low	775,000	5

Forage Grasses

Group	Intended Use	Species	Variety	Rooting Habit	Plant Type	Preferred Growing Conditions	Variety Key Features	Species Limitations	Production Period	Winter-hardiness	Environmental Tolerances						Approx. Seeds/lb	Pure Stand Seeding Rate lb/ac
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Bromegrass	Hay & Pasture	Meadow Brome	CDC Torsion	Bunchgrass	Basal	Widely adapted; prefers well-drained soils	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improved yield Excellent pasture variety Widely adapted Excellent regrowth 	Poor tolerance to flooding	Early spring to late summer	Very Good to Excellent	Moderate to High	Low	6.0-7.5	Moderate	Moderate	Low to Moderate	90,000	18-28
		Meadow Brome	Fleet	Bunchgrass	Basal	Widely adapted; prefers well-drained soils	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Excellent pasture variety Widely adapted Excellent regrowth 	Poor tolerance to flooding	Early Spring to Late Summer	Very Good to Excellent	Moderate to High	Low	6.0-7.5	Moderate	Moderate	Low to Moderate	90,000	18-28
		Smooth Brome	Carlton	Aggressive Sod forming	Elongating	Widely adapted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Excellent winterhardiness Aggressive sod-forming roots Slow regrowth Widely adapted Exhibits disease resistance 	Considered an invasive species in many range areas	Mid Spring to Mid Summer	Excellent	Moderate to High	Moderate	6.0-7.5	Moderate	Moderate	Low to Moderate	142,000	12-16
		Hybrid Brome	Bigfoot	Sod forming	Basal	Widely adapted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cross of meadow and smooth bromegrass Suited to hay and pasture 	Slower regrowth than Meadow Brome	Early Spring to Late Summer	Moderate	Moderate to High	Moderate	6.0-7.5	Moderate	Moderate	Low to Moderate	120,000	15-22
Fescues		Creeping Red Fescue	Boreal	Sod forming	Basal	Widely adapted; does best in high rainfall areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Does well with wide range of soil types Is most productive under high-moisture conditions Tolerates close grazing and survives drought 	Low production under drier conditions	Spring to Fall	Excellent	Moderate to High	Moderate	5.5-7.5	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low to Moderate	375,000	3-6
		Meadow Fescue	Tored	Bunchgrass	Basal	Prefers soils with good moisture and good drainage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Basal leaf growth suitable for grazing Tolerant to acidity 	Not always winterhardy	Spring to Fall	Fair to Good	Moderate	Moderate to High	5.5-6.5	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	230,000	8-12
		Tall Fescue	SWAJ	Bunchgrass	Basal	Excellent tolerance to harsh winter conditions (frost, snow, and ice)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Soft-leaved palatability Outstanding winterhardiness Crown rust resistance High yield Endophyte free 	Widely adapted; does best on moist, heavy textured soils	Spring to Fall	Very Good	Moderate	Moderate to High	5.5-6.5	High	Moderate	Moderate to High	205,000	8-12
	Tall Fescue	Riding Brand	Bunchgrass	Basal	Widely adapted; does best in moist, heavy textured soils	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Excellent heat and drought tolerance Endophyte free Good seedling vigour Adapted to a variety of soil types 	Not always winterhardy	Spring to Fall	Good	Moderate	Moderate to High	5.5-6.5	High	Moderate	Moderate to High	205,000	8-12	

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											Drought	Flooding	Optimum pH	Acidity	Alkalinity	Salinity		
Miscellaneous	Pasture	Creeping Foxtail		Sod forming	Basal	Adapted to soils with continuous moisture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Excellent flood tolerance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Difficult to handle seed 	Spring to Fall	Very Good	Low	High	5.5-7.5	Moderate to High	Low	Low to Moderate	785,000	3-6
		Kentucky Bluegrass	Tirem	Sod forming	Basal	Does best on well drained, highly productive soils	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Long-lived Highly palatable Tolerance to flooding and close grazing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Does not tolerate drought 	Spring to Fall	Excellent	Low to Moderate	Moderate	5.5-7.5	Low to Moderate	Low to Moderate	Low	2,100,000	4-6
		Perennial Ryegrass	Tribal	Bunchgrass	Basal	Medium to high fertility soils with adequate moisture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Very leafy bunchgrass High quality forage Susceptible to winterkill Requires high fertility 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Very susceptible to winterkill 	Mid to Late Summer, Fall	Poor	Low	Moderate	5.5-7.5	Moderate	Low to Moderate	Low to Moderate	240,000	8-12
Orchardgrass	Hay & Pasture	Reed Canary-grass		Sod forming	Elongating	Grows well on poorly drained soils prone to flooding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Low alkaloid variety Can be subjected to temporary flooding up to eight weeks Excellent winterhardiness 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not saline tolerant 	Spring to Fall	Excellent	Moderate	Excellent	5.5-7.5	Moderate	Moderate	Low	535,000	4-8
		Orchard-grass	AC Killarney	Bunchgrass	Basal	Prefers medium textured, well-drained soils with good moisture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improved winterhardiness Late maturity Dense leafy production 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not always winterhardy 	Spring to Fall	Good	Moderate	Low to Moderate	6.0-7.5	Moderate	Low	Low to Moderate	425,000	3-7
Timothy	Hay & Pasture	Orchard-grass	Trailburst	Bunchgrass	Basal	Prefers medium textured, well-drained soils with good moisture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Selected for vigour and plant health High forage quality and palatability Disease and stem rust resistance High yields 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not always winterhardy 	Spring to Fall	Fair to Good	Moderate	Moderate	6.0-7.5	Moderate	Low	Low to Moderate	425,000	3-7
		Timothy	Catapult	Bunchgrass	Basal	Adapted to cool, moist areas; good tolerance to waterlogged soils	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strong seedling vigour Excellent summer regrowth Stand persistence Exceptional yield Tall plant height 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not saline or drought tolerant Not tolerant to continuous grazing 	Spring to Summer	Very Good to Excellent	Low	High	5.6-7.3	High	Low	Low	1,200,000	3-10
		Timothy	Impactor	Bunchgrass	Basal	Adapted to cool, moist areas; good tolerance to waterlogged soils	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Excellent standability Dark green colour Disease resistance Great forage quality 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not saline or drought tolerant Not tolerant to continuous grazing 	Spring to Summer	Very Good to Excellent	Low	High	5.6-7.3	High	Low	Low	1,200,000	3-10
		Timothy	Summergraze	Bunchgrass	Basal	Adapted to cool, moist areas; good tolerance to waterlogged soils	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medium maturity High yields Very good to excellent winterhardiness Excellent stand density 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not saline or drought tolerant Not tolerant to continuous grazing 	Spring to Summer	Very Good to Excellent	Low	High	5.6-7.3	High	Low	Low	1,200,000	3-10

Forage Grasses

Group	Intended Use	Species	Variety	Rooting Habit	Plant Type	Preferred Growing Conditions	Variety Key Features	Species Limitations	Production Period	Winter-hardiness	Environmental Tolerances						Approx. Seeds/lb	Pure Stand Seeding Rate lb/ac
											Drought	Flooding	Optimum pH	Acidity	Alkalinity	Salinity		
Wheatgrass	Hay & Pasture	Crested	Fairway	Bunchgrass	Basal	Widely adapted; does best in medium to coarse, well-drained soils; does better than standard types under more moist conditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diploid type Finer-stemmed Tolerates more moisture 	Forage quality drops after heading	Early Spring	Excellent	Excellent	Low	6.6-8.4	Low	Moderate to High	Low to Moderate	300,000	10-15
		Crested	Kirk	Bunchgrass	Basal	Widely adapted; does best in medium to coarse, well-drained soils	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tetraploid type Tolerant to heavy grazing Aggressive vigour and high yields 	Forage quality drops after heading	Early Spring	Excellent	Excellent	Low	6.6-8.4	Low	Moderate to High	Low to Moderate	195,000	10-15
		Intermediate		Slow Sod forming	Elongating	Widely adapted; prefers well-drained soils with adequate moisture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deep-feeding root system Produces excellent pasture yields Short-lived under intensive use 	Shorter lived under intensive management	Late Spring to Mid Summer	Very Good	Moderate to High	Low	6.0-8.4	Low	Moderate	Low to Moderate	80,000	18-24
		Pubescent	Greenleaf	Slow Sod forming	Elongating	Widely adapted; prefers well-drained soils with adequate moisture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Widely adapted Moderately tolerant to salinity Good in mixtures with alfalfa 	Shorter lived under intensive management	Spring to Summer	Very Good	Moderate to High	Low	6.0-8.4	Low	Moderate	Low to Moderate	80,000	16-22
		Hybrid	AC Saltlander	Rhizomatous, creeping root	Elongating	Adapted to saline and alkaline soils	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dewaters saline areas and spread out Palatable and nutritious hay or pasture Competes with foxtail barley and downy brome 	Fair to good forage quality	Early Spring to Late Summer	Excellent	Moderate to High	Moderate to High	6.6-8.4	Low	High	Very High	111,000	5-10
		Slender		Bunchgrass	Elongating	Adapted to a wide range of soils; prefers well-drained loam soils	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Saline tolerant Spring flood tolerant 	Short-lived perennial	Mid Spring to Summer	Good	Moderate	Moderate	6.6-8.4	Low to Moderate	Moderate to High	High	135,000	10-14
		Tall		Bunchgrass	Basal	Adapted to poorly drained alkali soils; prefers a high water table	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Excellent winterhardiness Good flood tolerance Very tolerant to saline soil conditions 	Lower palatability	Late Spring to Mid Summer	Excellent	High	Moderate to High	6.6-8.4	Low to Moderate	High	Very High	75,000	20-30
Wildrye		Dahurian Wildrye		Bunchgrass	Basal	Widely adapted but short-lived	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Very vigorous seedlings Used in hay and pasture mixes for establishment 	Short-lived perennial	Spring to Fall	Good	Moderate	Low	6.0-8.4	Low	Moderate	High	80,000	12-16

Seed Enhancements



Securus™ is a proprietary seed enhancement used to improve the appearance, handling, and agronomics of our best seed varieties. Securus seed coatings deliver market-leading durability and improved seed flow with less dust-off. Securus is also bacteria friendly and pH neutral, ensuring optimum on-seed survival of rhizobia inoculants.

Securus is partnered with precise layering of Apron XL® fungicide to guard against diseases that can inhibit emergence, plant stand, plant health, and ultimately, yield potential. It also includes OMRI-certified Nitragin® Gold inoculant on alfalfa and other legumes to deliver high levels of nitrogen fixation through specially selected natural rhizobia strains.

Benefits of Securus

- Enhanced flowability and seed placement accuracy
- Improved visibility in the soil
- Includes Apron XL to aid in seedling health
- Alfalfa treated with Securus also includes Nitragin Gold to support nitrogen fixation



Securus bromegrass



Securus alfalfa



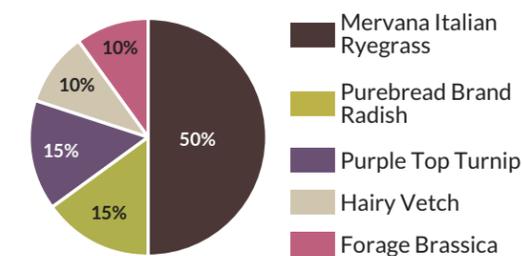
Annual Forage Stock Blends

Annual forages offer flexibility, quick establishment, and high yields when you need to increase feed availability quickly to supplement your perennial forage. Many species also help improve soils and can be used as a cover crop or an annual forage, depending on your farm's specific needs.

BrettYoung offers several annual forage blends, including custom blends, to give your operation what it needs.

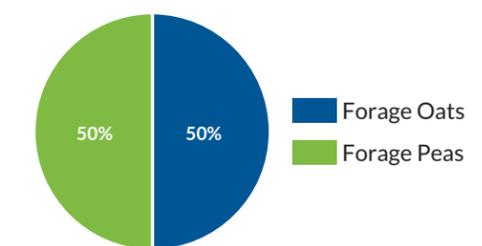
#26 - Annual Forage EXT

Long-season cocktail crop grazing applications with soil improvement



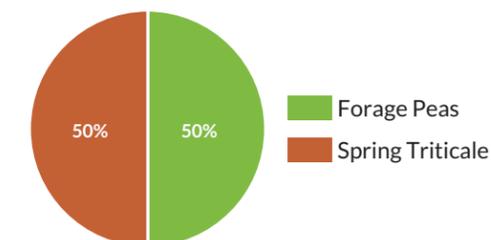
Sprint Maxx

A blend of specially selected forage oats and forage peas, giving you high yields in dairy and beef operations



Tripper Maxx

An elite forage blend of specially selected forage peas and spring triticale, delivering you the benefits of a forage legume and cereal in one product



Cover Crops

In a cover crop application, forages are planted primarily for soil improvement benefits like erosion control, soil health, and biodiversity. Most cover crop blends are comprised of multi-species annual forages including ryegrasses, brassicas, and legumes like vetch or clover to fix nitrogen.

Annual Forages & Cover Crops

Group	Intended Use	Species	Variety	Rooting Habit	Plant Type	Preferred Growing Conditions	Variety Key Features	Species Limitations	Production Period	Winter-hardiness	Environmental Tolerances						Approx. Seeds/lb	Pure Stand Seeding Rate lb/ac
											Drought	Flooding	Optimum pH	Acidity	Alkalinity	Salinity		
Annual	Silage, Grazing, Greenfeed	Sorghum Sudangrass	Sorghum Sudangrass	Fibrous	Warm-season grass	Prefers warm soil and growing conditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Triazine tolerant • High yields 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nitrate risk 	Late Summer, Fall	Annual	Moderate to High	Moderate	6.0-7.5	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	25,000	25-30
		Millet	Golden German	Fibrous	Warm-season grass	Prefers warm soil and growing conditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very good for swath grazing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nitrate risk 	Late Summer, Fall	Annual	Moderate to High	Moderate	6.0-7.5	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	200,000	15-30
	Silage, Greenfeed	Oat/Pea	Sprint Maxx	Mixture	Cool-season grass legume mixture	Widely adapted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good cover crop • Good quality 		Summer	Annual	Moderate	Moderate	6.0-7.5	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	12,000	120-150
		Triticale/Pea	Tripper Maxx	Mixture	Cool-season grass legume mixture	Widely adapted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good cover crop • Good quality 		Summer	Annual	Moderate	Moderate	6.0-7.5	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	14,000	120-150
	Hay, Grazing, Intercropping	Forage Radish	Purebred Brand Radish	Tap	Brassica	Prefers well-drained soils and cool growing conditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In-season and late-season grazing • Soil improvement • Oilseed type 		Late Summer, Fall	Annual	Low to Moderate	Low	5.5-7.5	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low to Moderate	150,000	8-10
		Turnip	Purple Top Turnip	Tap	Brassica	Prefers well-drained soils and cool growing conditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In-season and late-season grazing • Soil improvement 		Late Summer, Fall	Annual	Low to Moderate	Low	5.5-7.5	Moderate to High	Moderate	Low to Moderate	150,000	8-10
Ryegrass	Hay, Grazing, Intercropping	Annual Ryegrass	Bigbang	Bunchgrass	Basal	Soil of medium to high fertility with adequate moisture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tetraploid type • Very leafy bunchgrass • Suitable for annual hay production in high-moisture areas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prone to drought stress 	Mid to Late Summer, Fall	Annual	Low	High	5.5-7.5	Moderate to High	Low to Moderate	Low to Moderate	220,000	20-30
		Italian Ryegrass	Mervana	Bunchgrass	Basal	Soil of medium to high fertility with adequate moisture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tetraploid type • Outstanding summer growth • Great disease resistance, including HR to rust 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prone to drought stress 	Mid to Late Summer, Fall	Annual	Low	High	5.5-7.5	Moderate to High	Low to Moderate	Low to Moderate	220,000	12-20

HR: highly resistant

Annual Forages & Cover Crops

Group	Intended Use	Species	Variety	Rooting Habit	Plant Type	Preferred Growing Conditions	Variety Key Features	Species Limitations	Production Period	Winter-hardiness	Environmental Tolerances						Approx. Seeds/lb	Pure Stand Seeding Rate lb/ac
											Drought	Flooding	Optimum pH	Acidity	Alkalinity	Salinity		
Cover Crop	Hay, Grazing, Intercropping	Hairy Vetch		Shallow Tap Root	Upright	Well suited to sandy, well drained soils	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Excellent nitrogen fixer High protein content Highest shade tolerance of legumes Sprawling vine biomass production 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limited tolerance to drought Consumption of seed can be poisonous to livestock Not adapted to poorly drained soils Natural resistance to glyphosate Slow establishment and regrowth 	Summer to Fall	Annual or Biennial	Low	Moderate	6.0-7.0	Moderate	Moderate	Low	20,000	20-25
		Crimson Clover		Tap Root	Upright	Thrives in well drained sand and clay soils	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nitrogen fixer Biomass production More resistant to disease and nematodes than other clovers Strong tap root that will survive well in blends 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cannot tolerate extreme heat or cold Low tolerance to drought Does not overwinter Slight bloat risk 	Summer to Fall	Annual	Moderate	Low - Moderate	6.0-7.0	Moderate - High	Moderate	Low	140,000	10-15
		Berseem Clover		Shallow Tap Root	Upright	Slightly alkaline loam and silty soils	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aggressive warm season growth Does not cause bloat Nitrogen fixer Big biomass production 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Does not overwinter and susceptible to frost Does not grow well in sandy soils Can be slow to establish in spring Little regrowth Low tolerance to disease 	Summer to Fall	Annual	Moderate	Moderate - High	6.0-7.0	Moderate	Moderate - High	Moderate	140,000	8-12

Corn Hybrids

As Western Canada’s forage leader, we’ve specifically designed our corn lineup for silage and grazing on your farm. That’s why you can trust our corn hybrids to deliver the same consistently trusted performance the BrettYoung brand has stood for for generations.



High Performance with Broad Adaptation

- High-yielding flint/dent ideal for silage and grazing
- Widely adapted for use across Western Canada
- White cob hybrid with excellent grain quality and slow drydown for a wider harvest window

Genetic Trait:	Roundup Ready® Corn 2
Relative Maturity:	78
Grain CHU:	2250
Silage CHU:	2150
Spring Vigour:	Good
Plant Height:	Medium-tall
Stalk Strength:	Very Good
Root Strength:	Very Good
Drought Tolerance:	Very Good
Silage Potential:	Excellent
Ear Type:	Semi-flex
Husk Cover:	Good
Test Weight:	Excellent
Drydown:	Slow
Target Population:	30–34 K
Northern Corn Leaf Blight:	Good
Goss’s Wilt:	Good



Great Performance with Insect Resistance

- High-yielding flint/dent ideal for silage and grazing
- Excellent late season stay-green and eye appeal with good stalks and roots
- Early flowering white cob hybrid with high grain quality and slow drydown
- Consistent ear development down the row

Genetic Trait:	VT Double PRO® Corn
Relative Maturity:	78
Grain CHU:	2250
Silage CHU:	2150
Spring Vigour:	Good
Plant Height:	Medium-tall
Stalk Strength:	Very Good
Root Strength:	Very Good
Drought Tolerance:	Very Good
Silage Potential:	Excellent
Ear Type:	Semi-flex
Husk Cover:	Good
Test Weight:	Very Good
Drydown:	Slow
Target Population:	30–34 K
Northern Corn Leaf Blight:	Good
Goss’s Wilt:	Good



Consistent High Performance

- High-yielding hybrid well suited for silage and grazing in longer season areas
- Excellent root and stalk strength
- Broadly adapted to various soil types
- Impressive disease tolerance, including very good resistance to Goss’s Wilt

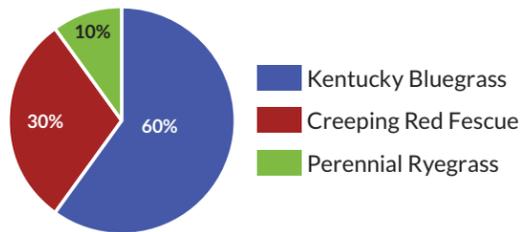
Genetic Trait:	Roundup Ready® Corn 2
Relative Maturity:	83
Grain CHU:	2450
Silage CHU:	2350
Spring Vigour:	Very Good
Plant Height:	Medium
Stalk Strength:	Excellent
Root Strength:	Very Good
Drought Tolerance:	Very Good
Silage Potential:	Very Good
Ear Type:	Semi-flex
Husk Cover:	Good
Test Weight:	Good
Drydown:	Average
Target Population:	30–34 K
Northern Corn Leaf Blight:	Very Good
Goss’s Wilt:	Very Good

Turf Grass Blends

Our portfolio of improved turf grass varieties is designed to offer the utmost in quality, disease and insect resistance, wear and drought tolerance, and unique growth habits that will deliver a distinct performance advantage. Whatever turf application you have, BrettYoung has the turf blends to meet your needs.

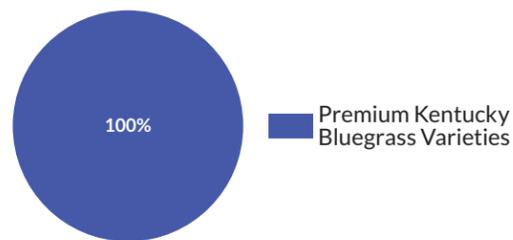
Deluxe Turf Blend (T12)

The benefits of Kentucky bluegrass meet the improved turf characteristics and shade tolerance of creeping red fescue



Executive Blend (T8)

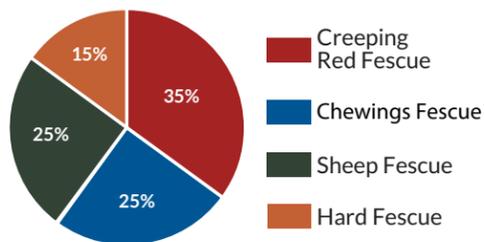
A mixture of our best Kentucky bluegrass varieties that combines fine leaves, less vertical growth, persistence, heat tolerance, disease resistance, and excellent turf quality



Drought Tolerant Turf Blend (T9)

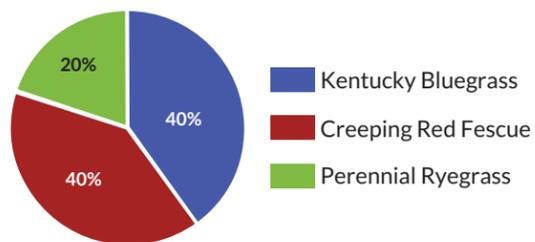


Includes improved drought tolerant varieties of creeping red fescue, chewings fescue, and hard fescue for a dense, high-quality turf grass



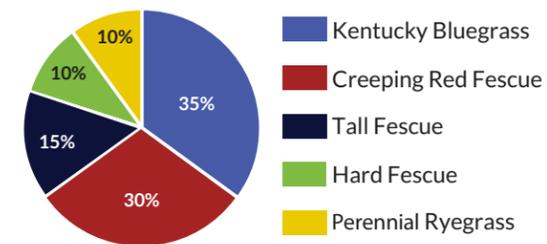
All Purpose Mix (T6)

Well suited to sun or shade, this mix reduces turf quality and provides an economical option for lawn establishment



Playground/Rural Lawn Mix (T3)

For areas that require less maintenance, can experience drought, and do not require the look of a high-quality turf



Establishing Your Lawn

Here are some tips to make sure your lawn establishes:

- Seed at four pounds per 1,000 square feet
- Use a high-quality starter fertilizer: 18-24-12 with 50% slow-release nitrogen is ideal at a rate of ten pounds per 1,000 square feet
- Grass seed needs water and light to germinate. Seed shallow and frequently water at low rates for three to four weeks until full germination is reached

	Sports Field	Perfect Lawn	Economy Lawn	Sun Mixture	Shade Mixture	Playgrounds	Low Maintenance	Drought
Executive Blend (T8)	✓	✓		✓				
Deluxe Turf Blend (T12)	✓	✓		✓	✓			
All Purpose Mix (T6)	✓		✓	✓	✓			
Drought Tolerant Turf Blend (T9)			✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Playground/Rural Lawn Mix (T3)						✓	✓	✓



How to Establish a Productive Forage Stand

The establishment phase is the critical first step in a productive and healthy forage stand. To improve your likelihood of establishment success, follow the agronomic guidelines below.

Time of Seeding

Early spring (mid-April to early June), mid-summer (mid-July to early August), and late fall (after freeze-up) are suitable times for seeding forages. Spring seeding provides the best chance for adequate moisture levels and successful germination. Summer seeding provides less weed competition but a greater likelihood of less moisture. Fall dormant seeding runs the risk of early spring runoff or freeze/thaw patterns harming seedlings.

Seedbed Preparation

A firm, well-prepared seedbed is required for good forage establishment. This results in proper seed-to-soil contact, adds control to seeding depth, and reduces surface drying.

Weed Control

Weed control is essential for good forage establishment. A seedbed free of perennial weeds is critical to minimize seedling and in-crop competition. Control weeds prior to seeding as well as during the year of establishment.

Quality Seed and Seed Coatings

Certified seed guarantees quality, including varietal purity, germination, and weed-free seed.

The agronomic benefits of certified seed are seen in the field through defined varietal characteristics and quality assurance, strong seedling germination, improved plant populations, and reduced weed competition. Consider a seed coating to improve handling, visibility in the soil, and to protect your investment from seed and soil-borne diseases. All legumes, if possible, should be inoculated to ensure proper nitrogen fixation.

Seeding Depth

Proper depth of seeding cannot be stressed enough. Many forage establishment failures are due to seeding too deep. All forage species should be seeded no deeper than one-half inch. Most forage seeds will do well planted at about one-quarter inch or less. Always err on seeding shallow rather than deep.

Seeding Rates

Use the proper seeding rates calculated by number of seeds per square foot. Seeding rates depend on species, seed size, seed quality, seeding method, row spacing, and annual precipitation. Because most forage seeds are small, light, and often chaffy, it can be useful to mix the seed with cracked grain, companion crop seed, or coated seed to improve seed flow.

Visit brettyoung.ca/forageseeding for more information.

Fertility

Soil test and fertilize accordingly. Remember the most cost-effective time to fertilize a forage crop is usually at seeding. Consider the use of higher rates of phosphorus or elemental sulphur to provide a stable nutrition base for the following years. 15 lb per acre of P₂O₅ can be safely seed-placed. Higher rates must be banded away from the seed row to avoid seedling damage.

General Fertility Guidelines for Forage

Crop	Stand Composition	Low-Medium Yield Potential Soils			Medium-High Yield Potential Soils				High Yield Potential Soils			
		Nitrogen	Phosphorus (P ₂ O ₅)	Potassium (K ₂ O)	Nitrogen	Phosphorus (P ₂ O ₅)	Potassium (K ₂ O)	Sulphur	Nitrogen	Phosphorus (P ₂ O ₅)	Potassium (K ₂ O)	Sulphur
Grass	<20% Legume	40-90	10-30	10-30	60-100	10-30	50-60	10-15	60-200	30-50	40-60	0-15
Grass-Legume	20-40% Legume	30-65	20-30	10-30	40-90	20-40	50-70	15-30	60-80	40-60	60-80	15-20
	40-60% Legume	10-30	20-40	10-30	20-40	30-40	50-80	15-30	0-60	40-80	80-150	15-30
Legume	>60% Legume	0-30	30-50	10-30	0-30	40-70	60-150	15-30	0-50	60-100	80-200	20-30

Source: www.agriculture.alberta.ca

Companion Crops

Many growers choose to plant forages with a companion crop like barley or oats to provide production in the establishment year. Companion crops compete with new forage seedlings for sunlight, nutrients, and moisture. A companion crop can reduce seedling establishment and plant populations, adversely affecting forage yield and stand longevity. The benefits of using companion crops include reduction of wind and water erosion and reduction of weed infiltration. If using a companion crop, the following tips will reduce the competition and aid in forage stand establishment.

Tips for Using Companion Crops in Establishment

Tip #1 - Seed the companion crop at one-third to one-half of normal seeding rate (when using cereals, 0.5-0.75 bu/acre is ideal).

Tip #2 - Seed forage in a separate pass at an angle to your companion crop to reduce competition and to aid in-depth control.

Tip #3 - Increase your forage seeding rate to achieve desired plant densities in the stand to compensate for the companion crop.

Tip #4 - Remove the companion crop as early as possible (silage or greenfeed) rather than harvesting the grain.

Tip #5 - If harvesting the companion crop for grain (not recommended), remove all straw from the field. If that is not an option, chop and spread the straw thoroughly across the field. If straw is left in a windrow, it will smother the emerging forage seedlings.

Tip #6 - If seeding forage where soil erosion is prominent, it's recommended that you use a companion crop. The companion crop will aid in covering and protecting the soil during the establishment year.

Species Selection & Adaptation

Forage Crop Use Recommendations

Consider the following factors when selecting forage species:

Intended Use and Management System

- Is the intended use hay or pasture?
- In hay stands, how many cuts do you expect to take each year?
- In pasture, how intensely will the forage crop be grazed?
- Are you rotational or continuous grazing?

Forage Timing

- When would you like your forage to be available?

Environmental Conditions

- How much annual precipitation does your area receive?
- How harsh are your winters?

Soil Type

- What is your soil type (sand, clay, loam)?
- How well does your soil drain?
- Is there a problem with saline or alkaline soils?
- Is the organic matter content high or low?

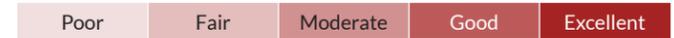
For information on variety and species characteristics with respect to environmental conditions and soil type, see the detailed tables on pages 14 to 23 and 26 to 29 of this guide.

Acidity:
 Poor = Sensitive to acidity
 Excellent = Tolerant to below pH 5.0

Salinity:
 Poor = Sensitive to low salt, below EC (dS/m) of 4
 Excellent = Tolerant up to EC (dS/m) of 12 - 16

Pasture regrowth rate indicates time to regrow rather than amount of regrowth.

Productivity Levels:



Forage Species	Winter-hardiness	Longevity	Suitability for Hay	Tolerance to Grazing	Pasture Regrowth Rate	Bloat-Causing	W. CDN Productivity							
							May	June	July	August	September			
Alfalfa	Fair to Excellent	Fair to Good	Excellent	Fair to Good	Fair to Excellent	Yes								
Birdsfoot Trefoil	Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Good	No								
Cicer Milkvetch	Excellent	Good	Fair	Good	Fair	No								
Red Clover	Fair to Good	Poor	Good	Good	Excellent	Yes								
Sweet Clover	Excellent	Biennial	Good	Fair	Poor	Yes								
Sainfoin	Good	Fair	Good	Poor	Poor	No								
Meadow Bromegrass	Good	Good	Good	Excellent	Excellent	No								
Hybrid Bromegrass	Good	Good	Excellent	Good	Good	No								
Smooth Bromegrass	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Good	Poor	No								
Creeping Red Fescue	Excellent	Excellent	Poor	Good	Excellent	No								
Meadow Fescue	Fair	Fair	Good	Good	Good	No								
Tall Fescue	Fair	Fair	Good	Good	Excellent	No								
Kentucky Bluegrass	Excellent	Excellent	Poor	Excellent	Excellent	No								
Orchardgrass	Fair	Fair to Good	Good	Excellent	Excellent	No								
Timothy	Excellent	Good	Excellent	Fair	Poor	No								
Crested Wheatgrass	Excellent	Excellent	Fair to Good	Excellent	Poor	No								
Intermediate Wheatgrass	Good	Fair	Excellent	Fair	Fair	No								
Slender Wheatgrass	Excellent	Fair	Good	Fair	Fair	No								
Tall Wheatgrass	Good	Good	Good	Fair	Poor	No								
Russian Wildrye	Excellent	Excellent	Good	Good	Fair	No								

Producing Seed for BrettYoung

Forage and turf seed production is an excellent way to diversify your risk and add profitable cropping options to your rotation. When you partner with BrettYoung, we help you with every step, from planning and production to harvest and delivery.



Agronomic and Management Benefits of Forage Seed Production

Forage and turf seed production offer many advantages to your farm. BrettYoung works with a wide range of species and can provide unique seed production opportunities to fit your farm's needs.

Grass Seed Production

Available species are Perennial Ryegrass, Tall Fescue, Annual Ryegrass, Fine Fescue, Meadow Fescue, Timothy, and Bromegrass.

Benefits include:

- Early harvest splits up the fall workload
- Increases organic matter to improve soils
- Some species have tolerance to salinity, alkalinity, and acidity
- Perennial options with multiple crop years, reducing the planting season workload

Legume Seed Production

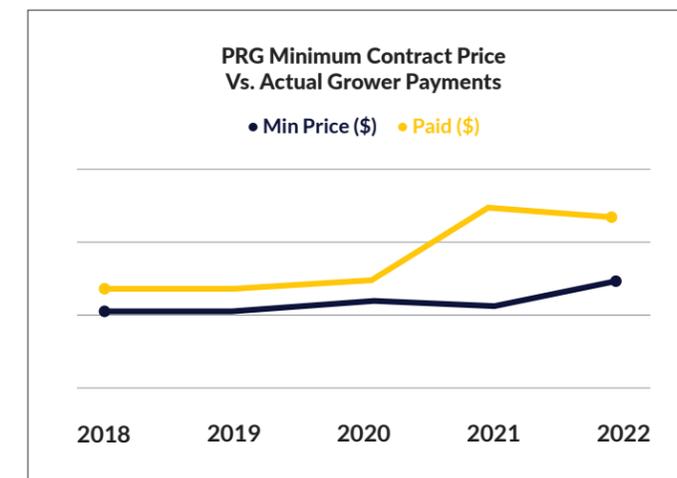
Available species are Alfalfa, Clover, and Trefoil.

Benefits include:

- Improves soil health
- Low input
- Nitrogen fixation
- Rotational benefits for following annual crops
- Multiple crop years reduce the planting season workload

Economic Benefits

Forage and turf seed production have an excellent profitability track record. BrettYoung's seed production contracts allow growers to lock in a minimum price without limiting upside, helping add to your bottom line.

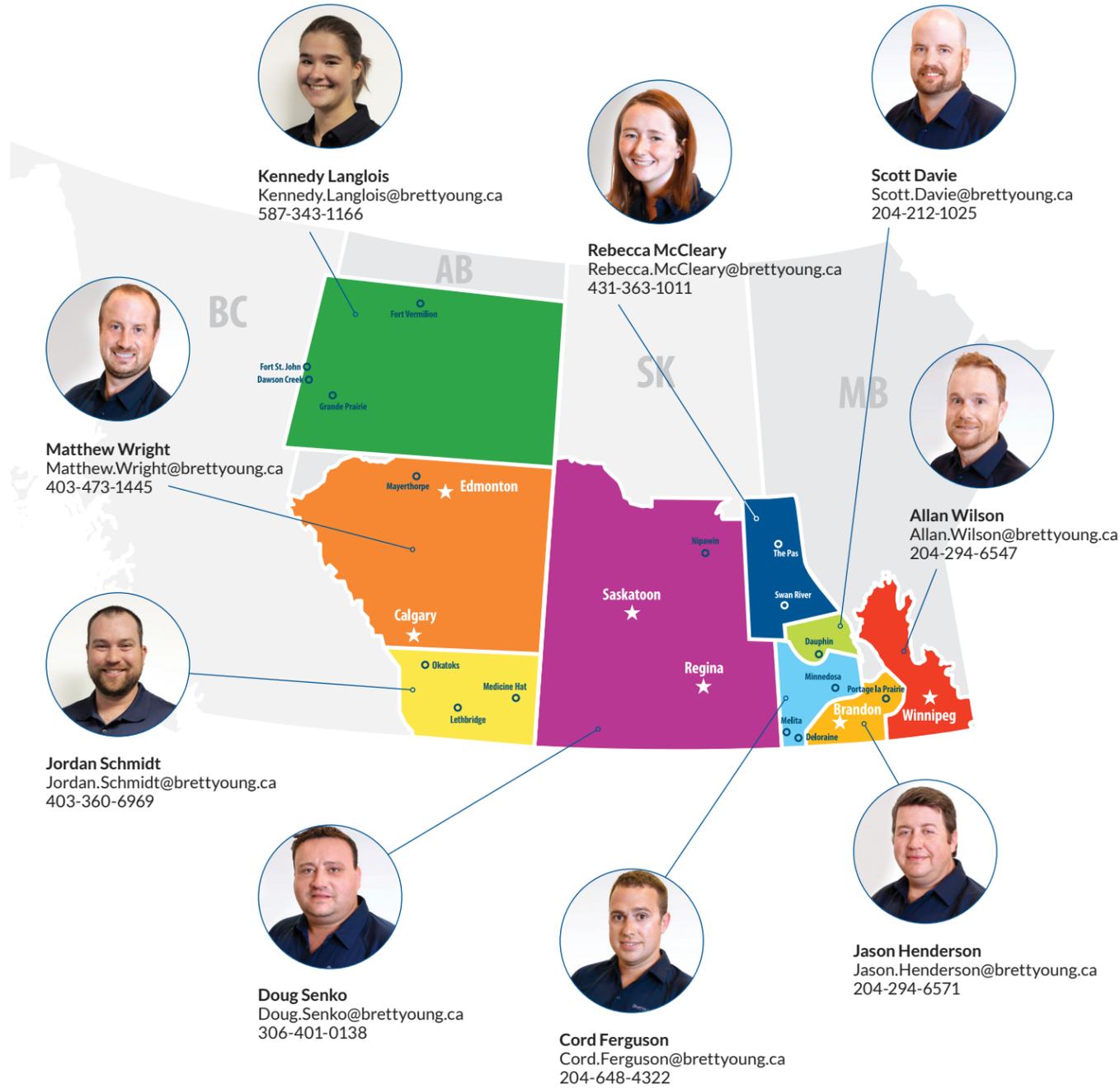


Seed Grower Partnership Program

The Seed Grower Partnership Program (SGPP) provides BrettYoung seed growers with tools to help manage risk and maximize the profitability of forage and turf seed production.

Ask a Seed Production Specialist about our SGPP and how you can qualify.

Seed Production Specialist Territory Map



BrettYoung's dedicated team of Seed Production Specialists are here to guide you with every aspect of forage and turf seed production to help you maximize your field's potential.

Planning

- Scouting and field selection
- Species selection
- Cover crop recommendations
- Production planning
- Contract terms

Production

- Delivery of stock seed
- Multiple field scouting visits
- Fertility recommendations
- Herbicide, fungicide, and growth regulator recommendations

Harvest

- Harvest timing recommendations
- Equipment setting recommendations
- Crop sample collection
- Post-harvest recommendations

Delivery

- Communication of delivery schedule
- Communication of quality analysis
- Communication of grower payments



BrettYoung Forage Establishment Guarantee

Though you've taken care to properly seed and establish your new forage stand, the weather doesn't always cooperate. Not to worry; in the unfortunate event of establishment failure, your replacement seed cost is covered by BrettYoung. Percent coverage depends on when you enroll in the program, place your seed order, and if you used a companion crop.

Program Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for the program, the following criteria must be met:

- Order seed and enroll in the program by April 1, 2024 and seed without a companion crop to qualify for 100% coverage on replacement seed
- If a companion crop is used during the April 1, 2024 enrollment period, replacement seed coverage is 50%
- Enroll in the program by April 30, 2024 and seed without a companion crop to qualify for 50% coverage on replacement seed
- If a companion crop is used during the April 30, 2024 enrollment period, replacement seed coverage is 25%

- Stand must be planted by June 30, 2024
- Products or blend components used must qualify for the program
- Must fulfill Agronomic Requirements as outlined on the next page
- Saline blends not eligible for the establishment guarantee

Program Limitations

- Replacement seed under the Forage Establishment Guarantee is provided only once for the area of the stand that failed to establish and must be seeded in that area.
- Replacement seed will be the same variety or mixture as originally purchased, subject to availability.
- Replacement seed must be planted during the original year of seeding or during spring of the following year.
- Good agronomic seeding preparations and stand establishment practices must be followed and documented as outlined on the opposite page.

Agronomic Requirements

To receive replacement seed of qualifying varieties, all of the seeding preparation and agronomic practices noted below must be followed and documented.

Time of Seeding

Forage seed must be planted before June 30, 2024. *If a companion crop is used in the establishment year, the seeding rate must be reduced to one-half or less of the normal recommended seeding rate and harvested as greenfeed or silage. To reduce lodging and severe competition from the companion crop, the soil nitrogen and applied nitrogen must not exceed 50 lb of actual nitrogen per acre.*

Seedbed Preparation

Seed must be planted in a firm, well-prepared seedbed that has undergone proper weed control, crop residue management, and good seed-to-soil contact.

Seeding Depth and Packing

Forage seed must be seeded to a depth of one-half to one-quarter inch. Broadcast seeding operations must be incorporated and packed immediately, no deeper than the noted depth.

Seeding Rates

Minimum seeding rates appropriate for the cropping zones and area must be followed. In the drier regions, the minimum rate is eight pounds per acre for hay and pasture mixes. In higher moisture

regions, the minimum is 12 lb per acre for hay and pasture mixes.

Weed and Insect Infestation

The Forage Establishment Guarantee is not available in the event of excess weed competition or insect infestation. Preventative action must be taken to control weed infestation. Reasonable control and monitoring of insects, mainly grasshoppers, is required.

Fertility and Soil pH

Soil pH for alfalfa plantings must be within a range of 6.5 to 8.5. A soil test showing satisfactory soil conditions must be available. Forage seed planted in an area where improper fertility and soil pH are present will be ineligible for coverage.

No more than 15 lb of P₂O₅ should be placed in the seed row with the seed. Higher rates must be banded away from the seed row to avoid seedling damage.

Chemical Residue

Stand damage due to chemical residue is not eligible for coverage.

Stand Evaluation

Your BrettYoung RAM must be notified of establishment failure within 60 days of seeding or by July 30, 2024. By this date, with corrective management such as weed or insect control, the forage stand will establish to its full potential.

Companion Crop

If a companion crop is used, it must be seeded at one-third to one-half of the normal seeding rate. Seed forages in a separate pass at an angle to your companion crop to reduce competition and to aid in depth control. Remove the companion crop as early as possible rather than harvesting the grain. This will reduce the amount of competition for sunlight, moisture, and nutrients.

Forage Guarantee Key Dates

April 1, 2024: Deadline to order seed and enroll in the program to be eligible for 100% coverage.

April 30, 2024: Deadline to enroll in the program to be eligible for 50% coverage.

June 30, 2024: Seeding deadline on all qualifying forage stands.

Within 60 days of seeding or July 30, 2024: Deadline to notify BrettYoung RAM of stand establishment concerns.

Online Registration

Complete the Forage Establishment Guarantee registration form to enroll in the program. Be sure to register and buy qualifying BrettYoung forage seed before April 1, 2023 to be eligible for 100% coverage.

Download your registration form today at brettyoung.ca/establishment-guarantee



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