

Stargrazer XL

Tall Fescue

- Well adapted for the Midwest, Mid-Atlantic & Northeast
- Suitable for both pastures or hay production
- Slightly earlier maturing than KY31
- Good yielder with excellent persistence

Stargrazer XL is a blend of improved endophyte-free tall fescue varieties that is medium in maturity with better drought tolerance than other cool-season grasses. This blend is well-suited for hay or grazing in a wide range of soils and climates.

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Various levels of endophyte toxicity are common in the majority of US tall fescue fields. Unless KY31 is requested, La Crosse Seed is focused on offering only varieties that are free of any endophytes. Improved tall fescue varieties demonstrate better cold tolerance across the Midwest while animal performance trials show enhanced grazing preference and palatability compared to older genetics. If renovating endophyte-infected fescue, it's best to rotate out for a period of 1-2 years until infected seed populations diminish and a new stand can establish without competition. If the goal is to improve existing pasture, adding legumes (like red clover) makes sense by helping production and quality. USDA research has shown that clover reduces some of the negative effects cattle see when consuming the infected plants.

STARGRAZER XL CHARACTERISTICS

ESTABLISHMENT	MED
PERSISTENCE	HIGH
DROUGHT TOLERANCE	HIGH
WINTER HARDINESS	MED
PALATABILITY	MED
YIELD POTENTIAL	HIGH
GRAZING TOLERANCE	HIGH

PLANTING TIMES

SPRING PLANTING	MAR - MAY
FALL PLANTING	AUG - SEP
LIFE CYCLE	PERENNIAL

SEEDING RATE (LBS/ACRE)

ALONE	25 - 30
MIXES	5 - 15
EMERGENCE (DAYS)	14 - 21

ROTATIONAL GRAZING

BEGIN (IN)	4 - 8
STOP (IN)	3 - 6
AVERAGE DAYS REST	25 - 35

HARVEST MANAGEMENT

**HARVEST AT BOOT STAGE IN SPRING;
PURE STANDS WORK WELL WHEN
STOCKPILED IN FALL**



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