



# Fantastic

ANNUAL RYEGRASS  
The Early Performer

From the Heart of Texas to the hills of Wisconsin to the Shores of Maryland, **Fantastic** Diploid Annual Ryegrass is making what can only be described as “**Fantastic**” hay, silage, and feed. Showing the ability to perform in a number of unique climates, **Fantastic** is also noted for excellent crown rust resistance and very high early yields. Why settle for just ryegrass, when you can have **Fantastic** ryegrass?

### Notable Characteristics

- Early maturity
- High yielding, especially in first two cuttings
- High feed quality
- Diploid Annual ryegrass
- Bred for crown rust resistance
- Excellent palatability/digestibility
- Easy establishment
- Excellent Winter hardiness

### University Trial Results

	<b>Fantastic</b>	Marshall	<b>Fantastic</b>	Marshall			
Location	<b>1<sup>st</sup> two cuttings</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> two cuttings	<b>Total</b>	total	Trial Low	Trial High	Trial Ave.
Beaumont, TX	<b>2,045</b>	1,886	<b>5,430*</b>	5,107	3,854	6,556	5,404
Overton, TX	<b>3,594</b>	2,303	<b>11,886*</b>	8,767	7,449	11,886	9,087
Keedysville, MD	<b>3,143</b>	3,032	<b>7,637</b>	7,929	3,701	9,115	7,358
Plains, GA	<b>1,699</b>	1,146	<b>6,865*</b>	7,148*	5,968	7,168	6,567
Tifton, GA	<b>2,462</b>	2,752	<b>9,010*</b>	9,366*	8,038	9,366	9,008
<b>Total</b>	<b>12,943 **</b>	11,119	<b>40,828</b>	38,317***	32,711	44,091	37,424***
Spoooner, WI			<b>6,060*</b>	---	4,640	6,060	5,280

\* Indicates entries yielding statistically equal to highest yielding entry.

\*\* **Fantastic** yielded 114% of Marshall in first two cuttings.

\*\*\* **Fantastic** yielded 106% of Marshall in total cuttings.

\*\*\*\* **Fantastic** yielded 108% of trial average totals in total cuttings.

### Applications:

- Beef, dairy, and other livestock forages systems to be utilized as pasture, set stocking, intensive grazing, green chop, haylage, or dry hay.
- Quick cover and quick forage yield.
- Short-term renovation
- Winter feed, especially for warm season overseeding

### Crown Rust Resistance (Univ. of FL)

Fantastic	2.1
Marshall	8.1

\*0-3 = Highly Resistant

7-9 = Highly Susceptible

### Seeding Rates:

New fields/pasture: 30-40 lbs./acre

### Method of Seeding:

Use of a Brillion seeder, a no-till drill or a culti-packer is ideal. Frost seeding also works well, especially if the animals are allowed to “hoof” it into the existing pasture. Seed to soil contact is vital to having a successful stand. Take caution to not plant the seed more than ¼” deep. **Fantastic** establishes quickly but weed control and proper management on initial grazings is vital to stand establishment.

### Grazing and Harvest Tips:

**Fantastic** is highly palatable; avoid over grazing. Graze at approximately 10-12 inches and remove animals when at 3-4 inches. When grazing **Fantastic**, reduce grain levels and consider adding more fiber to the ration. If machine harvesting disc mowers and drum mowers are highly preferred. For high quality hay, harvest 1<sup>st</sup> cutting at boot stage.

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