

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

FORAGE SPEC SHEET

RUNNER

High Performance Creeping Root Alfalfa



RUNNER is a high forage yielding variety of Creeping Root Alfalfa, out-performing other varieties in Western Canada trials. It was selected for aggressive creeping root habit and wilt resistance.

RUNNER creeping root alfalfa is a late maturing variety, better suited to matching other species for optimal harvest quality.

RUNNER is highly resistant to both bacterial and fusarium wilts, a distinct advantage over other creeping root alfalfas.

EFFECTIVENESS:

RUNNER Creeping Root Alfalfa is very effective as a pasture alfalfa or for a hay crop on drier sites. RUNNER re-grows better after harvest than other creeping root varieties increasing the forage yield possible. There is the risk of bloat associated with all alfalfas,

but the growth habit of RUNNER allows the grasses in the pasture to grow at the same rate as the alfalfa, reducing the bloat risk to your animals. RUNNER Creeping Root Alfalfa is very winterhardy and drought tolerant - persistence which leads to long pasture and hay field productivity. Alfalfa does not tolerate heavy flooding and prefers well drained soil, with a pH of 6.2 or higher.

RECOMMENDED USES:

Recommended uses include:

- Pasture
- Hay
- Silage.

ATTRIBUTES:

Attributes include:

- Good regrowth, compared to other creeping root varieties
- High resistance to bacterial and fusarium wilts

Forage Yields					
Variety	Vanderhoof (kg/ha)	Fort Fraser (kg/ha)	Smithers (kg/ha)	Total	
				(kg/ha)	% of Peace
RUNNER	3899	4707	2292	3633	103%
PS 3006	3461	4546	2424	3477	98%
TOPHAND	4688	4183	2402	3758	106%
DeepKrown	3768	4144	2380	3431	97%
Rocket	4512	4305	2314	3710	105%
PS 8925	3811	4506	2446	3588	101%
AC Grazeland BR	4031	4305	2314	3550	100%
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Peace	4381	4023	2204	3536	100%

Source: Hwy 16 CTU trials planted 2003/harvest 2004.

- Excellent persistence – winterhardiness and drought tolerance
- Aggressive creeping root habit
- Higher forage yield than other creeping root alfalfas.

AVAILABILITY:

RUNNER Alfalfa is an improved variety available in BC from your local Quality Seeds West dealer or representative, or directly from our Head Office in Langley, BC.

Please contact us for further information.

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