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Bandito 2 tetraploid intermediate ryegrass exhibits excellent cold tolerance and improved winter hardiness. It has shown higher levels of protein for a healthier diet and increased livestock production. Combine these traits with quick establishment, tremendous regrowth, and higher forage yields and you have a recipe for success.



ECONOMIC VALUE

KNOWN FOR ITS HIGH QUALITY

Feed value is a key component in evaluating forage varieties and often overlooked. Bandito 2 provides exceptionally high nutritional value.

CORNELL UNIVERSITY FORAGE TRIALS

Ithaca, NY 2008 Season Totals
Table 5b: Spring, First Harvest

Forage Quality Data for Grass Varieties 2007 Data for Trial Planted in 2006

VARIETY	RFQ	MILK/TON
BANDITO 2	207	3830
BOOST	156	3666
TETRALITE II	156	3656
SPRING GREEN	147	3604
OPUS	142	3500

PLANTING GUIDE

SEEDING RATE ALONE/ ACRE	30–40 lbs
SEEDING RATE IN MIX/ ACRE	2–10 bs
SEEDING DEPTH	1/8–1/2in
DAYS TO GERMINATE	5–7
AVERAGE SEEDS PER LB	240,000
EASE OF ESTABLISHMENT	Excellent
LIFE CYCLE	Short-lived Perennial

AGRONOMIC TRAITS

FORAGE YIELD	Excellent
FORAGE QUALITY	Excellent
MATURITY	Medium
PERSISTENCE	Excellent
PALATABILITY	Excellent
GROWTH HABIT	Bunch
DROUGHT TOLERANCE	Good
MOISTURE TOLERANCE	Good
HAY	Excellent
SILAGE	Excellent
PASTURE	Excellent
GROWTH	Spring–Fall



USES

PASTURE

Bandito 2 is suitable for all classes of livestock, especially those with high nutrient requirements such as young, growing animals.

HAY AND SILAGE

Bandito 2 is well suited for both hay and silage. For optimal performance Bandito 2 should be cut in the boot stage prior to seed head formation.

MANURE BUSTER

Bandito 2 is high yielding with high growth rates, and is able to absorb large amounts of nitrogen from manure application. Nitrogen toxicity can be a problem in heavily fertilized ryegrass, therefore a forage analysis is recommended prior to feeding grasses fertilized with lagoon water.

COVER CROP

The extensive root system of Bandito 2 makes it an effective catch crop for nitrogen and can help break up compacted soils. It offers many benefits including erosion control, improvement of aggregate stability, and increased organic matter to the soil profile. It can also be used as a nurse crop with fall-plant legumes such as clover.

WILDLIFE

Bandito 2 tetraploid intermediate ryegrass is an excellent wildlife feed. It's forage provides high-quality grazing and a quick source of energy for geese, ducks, wild turkeys, rabbits, deer, and elk.

SUITABLE FOR



DAIRY AND BEEF CATTLE



SHEEP AND GOATS



WILD LIFE



PASTURE



HAY



SILAGE



COVER CROP



- Improved yield
- Higher protein levels
- Improved winter hardiness
- Excellent digestibility

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