

### DEFINED

Rustler was developed for high dry matter yields and improved resistance to diseases that commonly affect tall fescue. In addition, Rustler is tolerant to many climatic challenges such as cold, drought, and heat stress. It's also tolerant of many soil challenges including poor drainage, and a wide range of pH levels. Rustler's large, soft leaves and sturdy crown provide highly palatable plants that are resistant to over-grazing.



# **ECONOMIC VALUE**

Rustler tall fescue continually ranks high in forage yield trials throughout the Midwest and Northeast. It often yields over 6 tons of dry matter per acre under well-managed regimens.

### **UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY**

Princeton, KY 2008 Dry Matter Yield **Tons Per Acre, 2 Year Total** 



### **CORNELL UNIVERSITY**

Ithaca, NY 2008 Dry Matter Yield **Dollars Per Acre, 3 Year Total 2006 - 2009** 

	20.59
19.93	
18.89	
18.24	
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# **PLANTING GUIDE**

SEEDING RATE ALONE/ ACRE	30-40 lbs
SEEDING RATE IN MIX/ ACRE	10-30 lbs
SEEDING DEPTH	1/8–1/4 in
DAYS TO GERMINATE	10-21
AVERAGE SEEDS PER LB	230,000
EASE OF ESTABLISHMENT	Excellent
LIFE CYCLE	Perennial

### AGRONOMIC TRAITS

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







### **TALL FESCUE**

## **USES**

### PASTURE

Rustler tall fescue provides abundant forage for many classes of livestock. Its excellent drought tolerance can extend the spring-summer grazing season substantially. Rustler works well in monoculture and in mixtures with other forages.

### HAY AND SILAGE

Rustler is commonly used for hay, silage and other types of stored feed. Utilizing the excess spring growth and storing for leaner winter months is an excellent management practice.

### SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION

Rustler features an extensive and fibrous root system. This root system helps stabilize soil by reducing density and improving structure. It also provides improved water infiltration in the soil which can prevent soil erosion caused by water runoff.





# **SUITABLE FOR**





SHEEP AND GOATS



PASTURE

HORSES

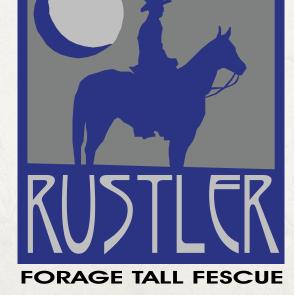




SILAGE

HAY

**Distributed By:** 



- High yielding
- Very palatable
- Excellent persistence
- Heat and drought tolerant
- Endophyte free

