

# PREFERRED SHADE

Fine Fescues and Kentucky Bluegrass Mixture

Fine fescues not to be confused with turf-type are composed of several different species. They're considered to be the most shade & drought tolerant cool season grasses available. Once established Preferred Shade requires little maintenance, including mowing frequency and fertilization inputs.

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Preferred Shade		Net Wt. 5 lbs		
Lot # MSC-PS19 Boreal Creeping Red Fescue	<u>Purity</u> 39.49%	<u>Germ</u> 85%	<u>Origin</u> CAN	
Cascade Chewing Fescue	29.94%	85%	OR	
Stonehenge II Hard Fescue	19.89%	85%	OR	
Pivot Kentucky Bluegrass	9.88%	85%	WA	
Other Crop 0.10%	Inert Matter 0.65%	Weed Seed 0.05%		
NOXIOUS WEED: NONE		Test Date 11/18		

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The functionality of the mix will remain unchanged, however the mix composition and percentages of individual species may vary depending upon seed availability.

## **New Lawn/Repairing Bare Spots**

Prepare the seedbed by tilling the soil approximately 5 to 6 inches deep. Level with a rake and compact the surface with a roller or gentle soaking. Leave the top 1/2 inch loose to allow the seed to be worked into the soil. Sow the seeds evenly at the recommended rate and lightly rake them in. A starter fertilizer can be applied prior to or right after seeding. This will aid in proper root development. After establishment, a systematic fertilizer program is recommended to maintain a healthy lawn. Covering the area with erosion control blanket or pelletized mulch will help hold the soil moisture and expedite germination. CAUTION straw bales may bring in unwanted weeds. Keep the soil moist with frequent light watering until the seedlings are visible.

## Overseeding an existing lawn

Prepare the lawn in order to archive good seed to soil contact. This can be done in a number of different ways. For small areas, simple rake the area and remove any debris. Larger areas can be mowed short and power raked or aerated to expose the soil. Sow the seed at the recommended rate and lightly work the seed with a rake. Keep the soil moist with frequent, light watering until established.

#### **COMPONENTS**

- Creeping red fescue
- Chewings fescue
- Hard fescue
- Kentucky Bluegrass

#### **FEATURES**

- Excellent sun & shade tolerance
- Low Maintenance
- Drought resistance
- Very fine leaf texture
- Low input requirements
- Self-repairing rhizomes
- Improved disease resistance

#### **USES**

- Lawns
- Commercial Sites
- Parks
- Golf Course Roughs

## **SEEDING RATES**

- New Turf 5-6 lbs./1,000 ft<sup>2</sup>
- Overseeding
  2-4 lbs./1,000 ft

#### **SEEDING DATES**

- SPRING
  March-May
- FALL August-October
- DORMANT December-March

#### **MOW HEIGHT**

- Ideal 3 in
- Max 5 in
- Min 1.5 in