

# Turfgrasses Seed 2023

The buyers guide to  
quality amenity turfgrasses







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# The BSPB Amenity Committee and the Turfgrass Seed Trials

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## Introduction

The development of grass varieties for amenity uses is a long-term, costly and sophisticated business. Plant breeding (crossing, selecting and conducting trials) typically takes a decade or more, before varieties are ready for release into Governmental registration and Industry performance trials. Subsequent investment in production, stock-holding, manufacturing and marketing is expensive. The exploitation and utilisation of the superior varieties made available by this process require expert guidance and advice.

The purpose of Turfgrass Seed is to report comprehensive results of available varieties in trials designed to test suitability for:

Use in winter sports pitches, such as football and rugby fields, and municipal recreation areas (Sports Uses Trials).

Use in lawns, summer sports pitches, tennis courts, turf and general landscaping (Lawns Landscaping, Summer Sports and Turf Trials).

Use in the intensive management seen on golf and bowling greens (Greens, Close Mown Trials).

Turfgrass Seed presents the best available interpretation of correctly designed, accurately analysed and independently supervised trials to our collective customer, the professional user of high quality amenity grass cultivars.

The Turfgrass trials are conducted in Bingley, West Yorkshire.

## The BSPB Amenity Committee

BSPB is the trade association, based at Ely in Cambridgeshire, which represents the interests of companies with plant breeding and seeds supply businesses in the UK. Companies can participate as Full Members or Associates and the Society caters for businesses with large or small turnovers.

The major functions of BSPB include:

- Acting on behalf of plant breeders to Licence and collect Royalties for the production of seed of protected varieties by third parties.
- Representing the interests of its members opposite Government and the European Commission.
- Co-ordinating agreements with independent trialling organisations to facilitate the production of recommended and descriptive lists of varieties.

The BSPB Amenity Committee comprises representatives of all the major breeders developing new cultivars for customers in the UK. Its objectives include the long term:

- Coordination and funding of independent amenity variety trialling.
- Continuity of the integrity of Turfgrass Seed as a source of impartial and valid information to buyers and users of amenity grass seed.

The lists contained in this booklet are designed to enable users of Turfgrass Seed to evaluate the suitability of different cultivars for various amenity uses. Information for the major turfgrass species is presented in the form of numerical scores. In each column, larger numbers indicate a higher score for the relevant characteristic. For instance, cultivars with a score of 8.0 for shoot density would be expected to produce denser turf than those with a score of 7.0.

The only exception to this general rule is the rating for colour. On this scale higher numbers are darker green. These colour scores are descriptive, to help with colour matching when blending varieties in mixtures. They are not merit ratings and in this case larger numbers do not indicate a higher merit score.

Users should read the text regarding the selection of grasses for each table to determine which grasses best suit their particular needs. Cultivars of the major turfgrass species have been placed in order of suitability for particular uses. The characteristics that have been used to determine this ranking order have been shaded. Where more than one characteristic has been used, a mean has been calculated and added to the table. When calculated, this mean has been placed within the shaded area, to the right of the characteristics used in its calculation.

**Cultivars at the top of each list may not be the best cultivars for every use. Users should identify which characteristics are most important for their intended use and then select cultivars accordingly.**

The tables are numbered according to their applicability to different end uses, thus:

<b>S</b>	<b>Sports</b>
<b>L</b>	<b>General lawn and landscaping</b>
<b>G</b>	<b>Golf and bowling greens and other close mown situations</b>

Seed of all cultivars named should be available in the UK this year but in smaller amounts where shown as LA (Limited Availability). The full names and addresses for the main seed suppliers representing grasses in the tables are presented on page 28. For grasses where no main agent is identified, users should contact BSPB for further information.

The tables have been split into two sections to give a main table and a new cultivar table. The latter section is reserved for cultivars that have been tested in only the most recent set of trials. The scores in this section of the tables should be regarded with less certainty than the scores in the main sections of the tables. Please note that ratings are not directly comparable among species and uses.

The information presented in the current Turfgrass Seeds booklet is from trials conducted at the STRI. As with any trial of living material, the performance of the cultivars may vary in commercial management.

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## Assessment of Characters

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### VISUAL MERIT

Visual merit is an overall measure of the suitability of the sward for its potential use. Visual merit is a combination of sward density, leaf width, disease resistance, colour and other factors which could influence appearance such as cleanness of cut.

### SHOOT DENSITY

In most applications of amenity grass a dense sward is required, especially when a uniform and true surface is needed, such as golf greens. The number of shoots per unit area is assessed to give a measure of sward density of the sown species.

### LIVE GROUND COVER

The live ground cover is regarded as more important than shoot density in winter sports turf. The ground cover of the sown species is recorded monthly during the application of artificial football wear to determine wear tolerance.

### SLOW RE-GROWTH

Mowing accounts for the majority of the cost of maintaining amenity grass. During the growing season (April to October) the sward height is measured immediately prior to each cut.

### FINESS OF LEAF

The leaf width of different varieties of grasses varies, especially for perennial ryegrasses and smooth-stalked meadow-grass. Fine leaves are desirable in fine turf and ornamental lawns. This assessment is not undertaken for Chewings fescues, hard & sheep's fescues, slender creeping red fescues or strong creeping red fescues where there is little difference among these fine-leaved grasses.

### CLEANNES OF CUTTING

Trials are monitored for differences in cleanness of cutting among cultivars. If differences are seen each variety will be scored for cleanness of cutting.

### DISEASE RESISTANCE

At a time when the usage of pesticides and the products available for use on amenity grasses are declining, disease resistance is of ever increasing importance. All trials are monitored for disease and scored when significant disease infections occur.

### COLOUR

Cultivars are assessed for genetic colour in both summer and winter. This is a relative assessment with scores indicating how light or dark a grass is compared to the other varieties in trial. Lower numbers indicate a lighter coloured grass, higher numbers a darker coloured grass. It should be noted that colour will vary depending on weather conditions, management, and fertiliser use.

### RECOVERY

The winter sports turf trial is scored for two months following the application of artificial football wear to give an indication of individual varieties ability to recover from wear. Higher scoring varieties are less likely to need intensive renovation in the closed season.

## Series S Sports Uses (Mown at 25mm)

Perennial ryegrass (Table S1)

Smooth-stalked meadow-grass (Table S2)

Tall fescue (Table S3)

Tufted hair-grass (Table S4)

### Applications

Winter sports pitches

Football and Rugby pitches

Municipal sports areas

Other intensively used areas

The perennial ryegrass cultivars in Table S1 (pages 6 – 7) are ranked on the mean of live ground cover and visual merit during wear. These characteristics are important for sports pitches receiving intensive wear during winter, such as football and Rugby pitches.

Users should identify the particular properties that are important in their individual situations and choose cultivars that score well for those characteristics. In football and Rugby pitches for example, it may be better to choose a cultivar with reduced susceptibility to red thread, if this can be done without compromising too much on wear tolerance. Where good appearance is required before wear, or in low wear situations, good shoot density, fineness of leaf and cleanness of cut scores will be important.

In all wear situations regular over-seeding can have beneficial results. It is strongly advised that this forms part of the end of season renovation programme. Also the addition of new grasses through over-seeding during the playing season will help maintain ground cover.

Cultivars of smooth-stalked meadow-grasses are shown in order of their performance under football-type wear for inclusion in winter pitches (Table S2). Once established, smooth-stalked meadow-grass can be as hard wearing as perennial ryegrass and usually has better tolerance of close mowing.

Its rhizomes give good recovery from wear and some drought tolerance. However, establishment of this grass is slow and best results can only be achieved if at least 12 months is left between sowing and use, Table S2 (page 8). Trials are sown in spring with wear being applied the following autumn.

Generally, cultivars of tall fescue form turf that would be acceptable for many coarse turfgrass uses. However, they are no substitute for perennial ryegrass in normal turf situations in the UK. Tall fescues are slower in establishment, coarser in leaf texture, and as a result, less attractive in appearance. They may however, have a place under dry or low fertility conditions. Tall fescues have also been used successfully where fairly tall (15 - 20 cm) but still erect swards are desirable, such as the grassed areas surrounding airfields. New improved varieties of this grass type, some with rhizomes, are starting to become available. These produce acceptable lawns but still do not match perennial ryegrass for wear tolerance.

Tufted hair-grass is tolerant of damp and shady conditions and has been included in some seed mixtures for stadiums. This grass can accumulate a little more organic matter at the surface than some of the traditional sports grasses like perennial ryegrass.

## Series S Sports Uses (Mown at 25mm)

### Table S1

Perennial ryegrass (*Lolium perenne*)

Cultivar	Live Ground Cover	Visual Merit	Mean	Recovery	Shoot Density	Fitness of Leaf	Resistance to Red Thread	Winter Greenness	Summer Greenness	UK Agent
Barzico	8.0	8.1	8.1	7.4	7.9	7.3	4.3	5.5	5.5	BAR
Altivo (LA)	8.0	8.0	8.0	7.4	8.2	7.0	5.3	4.8	5.2	BAR
Clochette (LA)	7.9	7.9	7.9	6.7	8.6	8.2	3.1	5.3	6.1	G/SMFR
Barbasten	7.8	7.9	7.9	7.4	7.3	6.2	5.8	5.1	5.3	BAR
Europitch	7.8	7.9	7.9	7.3	7.8	7.5	4.1	5.4	5.0	DSV
Barpersie	7.7	8.0	7.8	7.7	8.4	8.0	6.2	4.3	5.1	BAR
Eurobeat	7.8	7.8	7.8	6.9	7.4	6.7	5.5	5.5	5.3	DSV
Lancelot (LA)	7.7	7.9	7.8	7.1	8.1	8.0	5.2	5.1	5.4	OAS/TG
Saila (LA)	7.8	7.7	7.8	7.2	6.8	6.4	6.1	5.1	5.1	DLF/JNS
Eurodiamond	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.0	7.4	6.4	3.8	5.4	5.3	DSV
Gildara	7.6	7.7	7.7	6.7	7.5	7.6	4.7	5.4	6.4	DLF/JNS
EuroCordus	7.8	7.5	7.7	7.4	7.4	6.7	6.6	5.4	5.4	DSV
Duranova (LA)	7.5	7.7	7.6	7.3	8.1	7.7	5.5	5.3	5.1	DLF/JNS
Alathea	7.7	7.6	7.6	7.4	7.4	7.2	6.2	5.3	5.1	DLF/OAS/TG
Monroe	7.5	7.6	7.6	7.5	7.4	7.7	6.2	5.8	5.9	DLF/JNS
Eurosport	7.6	7.5	7.5	7.4	7.2	6.9	5.6	5.7	5.6	DSV
Lionel (LA)	7.5	7.5	7.5	6.8	7.0	6.3	5.5	5.3	5.3	DLF/JNS
Barlicum	7.3	7.6	7.5	6.4	7.7	7.6	4.2	5.4	5.0	BAR
Baradona	7.5	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.2	6.8	3.8	5.3	5.9	BAR
Mocora	7.3	7.6	7.4	7.0	7.3	7.4	4.8	5.0	5.4	DLF
Barcristalla	7.5	7.3	7.4	6.9	6.9	6.7	5.9	6.2	7.2	BAR
Cameron	7.2	7.5	7.4	7.6	7.3	7.6	4.3	5.7	5.7	OAS/TG
Columbine	7.4	7.3	7.4	7.1	6.7	5.9	5.2	6.2	5.7	DLF/TG
Baromario	7.3	7.4	7.4	6.8	7.4	7.1	5.1	5.5	6.1	BAR
Annecy	7.3	7.3	7.3	6.9	6.6	6.5	4.0	5.7	5.2	DLF/MM
Barolympic	7.2	7.3	7.3	7.6	7.4	7.5	5.6	4.4	4.8	BAR
Angelina	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.5	7.4	6.6	6.1	5.1	5.6	OAS/TG
Chloe	7.1	7.3	7.2	7.1	7.1	7.3	5.3	5.6	5.4	DLF
Berlioz 1	7.2	7.2	7.2	6.8	7.0	6.0	5.4	5.8	5.3	DLF/TG
Barthierry	7.1	7.2	7.2	6.6	7.6	7.2	5.2	6.1	6.4	BAR
Chardin	7.0	7.3	7.2	6.5	7.1	7.4	6.0	5.2	5.0	DLF/JNS
Calico	7.1	7.2	7.1	7.5	6.8	6.8	4.1	5.5	6.3	G/SMFR
Cyrena	7.2	7.1	7.1	7.1	6.7	6.1	5.8	5.1	5.8	DLF/MM
Barorlando	7.2	7.1	7.1	6.6	7.0	6.4	6.4	5.6	7.2	BAR
Carnac	6.9	7.3	7.1	7.4	6.8	6.6	6.4	6.0	5.7	G/SMFR
Gladys	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.3	6.9	7.0	5.5	5.3	5.1	DLF/MM
Melbourne	7.0	7.1	7.1	6.6	7.2	6.9	6.7	5.5	5.4	DLF/MM
Vesuvius	6.9	7.2	7.0	7.1	6.9	6.2	5.9	5.1	5.5	G
Cadix	6.9	7.2	7.0	7.2	6.7	6.7	5.4	5.8	5.8	G/SMFR
Nagano	7.0	7.1	7.0	7.0	6.7	6.0	5.4	5.0	5.1	DLF/MM
Estelle	6.9	7.2	7.0	7.6	7.2	7.2	5.9	5.7	4.8	OAS/TG
Bizet 1	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.3	5.9	5.6	6.4	5.8	6.1	DLF
EG Resistus	7.0	7.1	7.0	6.7	6.9	7.3	5.3	5.8	5.7	DSV
Eventus	6.9	7.1	7.0	7.4	7.3	7.8	5.3	5.5	5.6	DSV
Alison	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.1	7.3	6.1	5.6	5.5	DLF/MM
Bonnie	6.9	7.1	7.0	6.3	7.5	7.1	5.0	5.2	5.4	TG
Aniston	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.4	6.8	7.5	4.1	5.7	5.9	DLF/JNS
Gianna	6.9	7.0	6.9	7.3	6.8	6.7	5.3	5.1	5.3	OAS/TG
Martinella	6.9	7.0	6.9	6.5	6.6	6.2	4.6	5.9	5.3	DLF
Aniella (LA)	6.8	7.1	6.9	6.3	6.9	7.2	6.4	5.6	5.3	DLF
Beckham	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.1	6.4	6.1	6.1	5.4	4.8	DSV
Django	6.8	7.0	6.9	6.7	7.3	6.8	5.4	5.2	5.0	RAGT
Etienna	6.7	6.9	6.8	6.7	7.0	7.2	6.1	5.1	5.7	DLF
Cleopatra	6.9	6.7	6.8	7.2	6.4	5.8	6.6	5.0	5.3	DLF
Duparc	6.7	7.0	6.8	7.0	6.5	6.5	7.0	5.1	5.2	OAS/TG
Hayley	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.7	6.7	6.7	5.6	5.6	5.8	OAS/TG



Table S1 Continued

Cultivar	Live Ground Cover	Visual Merit	Mean	Recovery	Shoot Density	Finess of Leaf	Resistance to Red Thread	Winter Greenness	Summer Greenness	UK Agent
Claudine	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.4	6.8	6.8	5.6	5.3	6.1	DLF
Penelope	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.9	7.2	7.6	4.5	5.4	5.3	DLF
Mandalay	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.9	6.2	6.3	5.8	5.1	5.5	OAS/TG
Dickens 1	6.6	6.8	6.7	6.7	7.7	7.1	5.8	5.2	5.3	DLF/JNS
Gwynett	6.6	6.8	6.7	7.2	6.8	7.5	5.8	5.3	5.5	G/DLF
Promotor	6.7	6.7	6.7	7.3	6.5	6.1	5.3	5.2	5.7	G
Torsion	6.7	6.6	6.6	6.2	6.7	6.3	5.5	7.8	8.4	ICL
Barsignum	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.4	7.1	7.5	5.6	5.3	6.3	BAR
Meara	6.6	6.5	6.6	6.4	6.6	6.8	6.0	5.2	5.5	DLF
Mercitwo	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.7	5.9	6.5	5.9	5.2	5.1	OAS/TG
Bargold	6.5	6.7	6.6	6.8	7.0	7.7	5.9	5.6	5.3	BAR
Singapore	6.5	6.6	6.6	6.9	6.7	7.3	7.1	5.6	5.1	DLF/MM
Morisor	6.4	6.7	6.5	6.4	6.8	6.5	6.0	5.1	5.1	OAS/TG
Greensky	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.6	6.4	6.0	5.8	5.5	5.2	OAS/TG
Shazam	6.5	6.6	6.5	7.2	7.3	7.0	6.0	5.5	5.6	RAGT
Creepstar	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.4	6.2	6.9	6.0	6.5	7.3	DLF/TG
Vertech	6.4	6.5	6.5	6.1	6.0	6.7	4.7	5.7	6.2	G
Alboka	6.4	6.5	6.5	6.3	6.7	6.5	6.9	6.6	6.6	BAR/RAGT
Greenway	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.0	6.4	7.0	6.1	6.2	5.8	SUT/TG
Clementine	6.4	6.4	6.4	7.0	6.7	7.1	5.8	5.3	5.3	DLF/JNS/TG
Zurich	6.4	6.2	6.3	5.3	6.0	5.2	5.3	5.9	5.4	G
Fandango	6.3	6.2	6.2	6.4	6.0	5.6	5.9	6.1	6.0	BAR
Escapade	6.1	6.3	6.2	6.7	6.3	7.7	4.6	5.9	5.5	G/SMFR
Essence	6.3	6.0	6.1	5.2	6.4	6.2	4.7	6.4	5.8	DLF
Bardorado	6.2	6.0	6.1	5.7	5.9	5.0	6.8	5.1	5.4	BAR
Antonella	6.2	6.0	6.1	6.7	6.2	6.7	5.6	5.6	6.0	TG
Transate	6.2	6.0	6.1	5.8	5.9	5.5	6.9	6.0	6.0	DSV
Ponderosa	6.2	5.9	6.1	5.9	5.9	5.5	5.7	6.9	5.9	DLF/MM
Platinum	6.3	5.7	6.0	5.5	5.2	4.6	6.0	7.3	6.3	DLF
Barprrium	5.9	5.9	5.9	6.8	6.5	6.9	6.1	5.0	7.0	BAR
Mistral	5.8	6.0	5.9	5.2	5.3	5.3	6.6	8.1	7.9	ICL
Stravinsky	6.0	5.6	5.8	5.3	5.6	4.8	6.6	8.3	8.1	DLF
Pascal	5.9	5.8	5.8	5.7	6.0	5.4	6.6	6.3	6.3	DSV
Jubilee EG	5.8	5.7	5.8	5.7	5.7	5.4	5.5	6.1	6.5	DSV
Agreement	5.7	5.8	5.8	5.3	6.0	5.4	5.3	6.3	6.1	G
Passion	5.7	5.8	5.8	5.6	6.2	5.5	7.6	6.0	6.2	DLF/MM
Transpose	5.7	5.8	5.8	5.2	6.0	6.5	6.4	5.6	7.2	ICL
Greenplanet	5.6	5.7	5.7	4.9	5.5	5.3	7.4	7.9	8.2	ICL
Esquire	5.8	5.5	5.6	5.3	5.4	4.9	6.0	7.0	7.0	DLF
Turfgold	5.6	5.5	5.5	6.0	5.3	5.1	6.2	6.9	6.8	DSV
Groundforce	4.7	5.0	4.9	5.0	5.5	6.8	5.9	5.3	5.8	ICL

LA = Limited availability

## Series S Sports Uses (Mown at 25mm)

### Table S1s

#### Tetraploid ryegrasses

Diploid perennial ryegrass cultivars have traditionally been used in sports turf mixtures. In like-for-like comparisons with tetraploid cultivars of perennial ryegrass, good diploid grasses will be more persistent, have greater wear tolerance and produce a more attractive sward than tetraploid grasses. Under cool conditions it would be expected that the major differences in germination and speed of establishment would be due to variety differences rather than ploidy differences. The ratings on Table S1s are directly comparable with those on Table S1.

Cultivar	Live Ground Cover	Visual Merit	Mean	Recovery	Shoot Density	Fineness of Leaf	Resistance to Red Thread	Winter Greenness	Summer Greenness	UK Agent
Fabian	6.4	6.1	6.2	6.6	5.4	5.2	5.9	6.5	6.7	DLF/JNS
Tetrapstar	5.8	5.4	5.6	5.5	5.4	5.0	8.0	7.6	8.0	OAS/TG
Tetragame	5.6	5.3	5.5	5.4	4.7	4.5	7.3	6.8	7.3	DLF/JNS/TG
Tetramagic	5.2	5.1	5.2	5.1	4.4	4.2	6.8	7.0	7.0	DLF/MM
Tetradry	5.4	4.8	5.1	4.8	3.9	4.1	7.5	7.6	7.7	DLF
Double	5.1	4.6	4.8	4.4	4.1	3.4	7.9	7.6	7.5	DLF
Tetragreen	5.0	4.6	4.8	4.5	4.8	4.4	7.3	7.5	7.6	OAS/TG
Tetrasport	4.4	4.5	4.4	4.3	4.3	4.4	7.5	7.7	8.0	DSV

### Table S2

#### Smooth-stalked meadow-grass (*Poa pratensis*)

Cultivar	Live Ground Cover	Visual Merit	Mean	Recovery	Shoot Density	Fineness of Leaf	Resistance to Rust	Winter Greenness	Summer Greenness	UK Agent
Traction	7.6	7.9	7.8	8.1	8.0	7.5	4.8	5.2	5.3	ICL
Becca	7.6	7.7	7.7	7.2	7.8	8.1	5.3	5.4	6.5	DLF/MM
Julius	7.4	7.5	7.4	7.6	7.3	6.6	5.0	4.9	5.3	DLF
Limousine	7.2	7.4	7.3	7.8	8.0	7.3	4.9	6.2	5.4	DSV
Joker (LA)	7.1	7.3	7.2	7.1	7.4	7.8	6.3	5.8	6.1	DSV
Harmonie	7.2	7.0	7.1	7.1	7.2	7.3	5.0	6.2	6.1	DLF/TG
Sombrero	7.0	7.2	7.1	7.1	7.3	7.0	4.8	5.9	5.9	DLF/JNS
Bariris	7.1	7.0	7.0	6.4	6.9	6.5	4.8	6.6	5.8	BAR
Greenplay	6.9	7.0	7.0	7.3	7.3	7.0	5.0	5.8	5.7	OAS/TG
Lincolnshire	6.8	7.2	7.0	7.0	7.0	6.9	4.4	6.2	5.0	DSV
Barhelene	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.4	7.2	7.3	5.0	5.3	5.7	BAR
PowerPlay	6.7	6.8	6.7	6.7	6.6	6.6	6.7	5.5	7.2	DSV
Tetris	6.5	6.7	6.6	6.9	7.0	7.5	6.7	7.8	7.3	G
Isadora (LA)	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.2	7.0	6.5	6.4	5.5	5.2	DLF/MM
Dakisha	6.5	6.7	6.6	6.7	6.2	5.4	5.9	5.7	5.6	DLF/TG
Yvette	6.6	6.5	6.5	6.0	6.6	6.8	6.5	6.0	5.8	DLF/MM
Enigma	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.0	6.3	6.1	6.9	7.7	6.7	ICL
Xiamara	6.3	6.4	6.3	6.2	6.3	5.9	–	5.6	5.5	DLF/MM
Borsala	6.0	6.2	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.7	6.5	6.3	5.5	DLF
Miracle	6.0	5.9	5.9	5.3	6.1	5.5	7.0	5.3	6.6	DLF
Abalina (LA)	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.6	6.4	6.5	7.2	5.7	6.0	DLF/MM
Conni	5.6	5.7	5.6	5.8	6.0	6.0	5.9	6.5	5.7	DLF
Dauntless	5.6	5.4	5.5	6.0	5.2	4.8	5.8	7.5	7.1	DSV
Bluenote	5.1	5.2	5.2	5.6	5.4	5.3	6.6	6.7	7.0	DSV
Markus	5.0	5.2	5.1	5.6	4.7	5.6	7.3	5.6	5.2	DSV
Evora	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.6	4.4	4.7	6.1	5.5	6.8	DLF
Zeptor	4.6	4.8	4.7	4.6	4.6	4.6	7.1	5.2	5.7	DSV

LA = Limited availability

- = Data not available

**Table S3****Tall Fescue (*Festuca arundinacea*)**

Cultivar	Live Ground Cover	Visual Merit	Mean	Recovery	Shoot Density	Fineness of Leaf	Winter Greenness	Summer Greenness	UK Agent
Turfway	7.9	7.7	7.8	7.7	7.7	6.9	7.6	7.7	TG
Regenerate	7.5	7.8	7.6	6.7	8.2	7.1	6.3	6.4	DSV
Foxhound	7.4	7.6	7.5	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.7	7.2	DLF
Armani	6.8	7.3	7.1	7.4	6.5	7.4	4.5	3.8	OAS/TG
Essential	7.0	7.1	7.0	6.5	7.2	7.0	6.6	6.6	OAS/TG
RGT Nuance	6.5	6.9	6.7	6.4	6.9	7.2	3.9	4.1	BAR/RAGT
Barcesar	6.6	6.5	6.6	6.7	6.8	6.9	5.1	5.0	BAR
Grande II	6.5	6.2	6.4	5.9	6.4	5.8	6.7	6.7	OAS/TG
Debussy 1	6.3	6.4	6.4	6.2	6.3	6.1	6.8	6.8	DLF/JNS
Granditte	6.0	6.4	6.2	5.6	6.6	6.3	6.6	6.9	OAS/TG
Melyane	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.2	6.7	6.3	5.2	5.1	DSV
Barlexas II	5.6	5.7	5.7	5.3	5.5	5.8	6.7	7.0	BAR
<b>New Cultivars</b>									
Greenheaven	8.4	8.1	8.2	7.8	7.7	7.1	-	6.6	ICL

LA = Limited availability

- = Data not available

**Table S4****Tufted hair-grass (*Deschampsia caespitosa*)**

Cultivar	Live Ground Cover	Visual Merit	Mean	Recovery	Shoot Density	Fineness of Leaf	Resistance to Red Thread	Winter Greenness	Summer Greenness	UK Agent
Trakaj	7.8	7.8	7.8	6.5	7.3	6.1	6.6	5.8	7.0	DSV
Barcampisia	6.3	6.5	6.4	5.8	7.0	7.4	4.7	6.2	5.2	BAR
Desanto	6.1	5.8	5.9	5.7	6.0	5.9	-	4.5	5.2	DSV
Deshade	5.6	5.5	5.6	5.3	5.2	5.3	-	4.6	5.1	DSV

- = Data not available

## Series L

### Lawns, Landscaping, Summer Sports and Turf Trials (Mown at 10-15mm)

Perennial ryegrass (Table L1), Smooth-stalked meadow-grass (Table L2), Chewings fescue (Table L3), Slender creeping red fescue (Table L4), Strong creeping red fescue (Table L5), Hard and Sheep's fescue (Table L6), Bentgrasses (Table L7), Tall fescue (Table L8) and Tufted hair-grass (Table L9)

#### Applications

Professional and domestic lawns

Fairways

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General landscaping

Perennial ryegrasses are ranked in Table L1 (pages 11-13), smooth-stalked meadow-grasses in Table L2 (page 13), tall fescues in Table L8 (page 18) and tufted hair-grass in Table L9 (page 18) on their mean performance for shoot density, fineness of leaf, slow regrowth and visual merit.

Fescues are ranked in Tables L3 to L6 (pages 14-17) on their mean performance for shoot density and visual merit.

Bentgrasses are ranked in Table L7 (page 17) on the mean of their shoot density, fineness of leaf and visual merit.

In addition to differences among cultivars, there are some general sub-species differences among the red fescues. Chewings fescues in comparison with slender creeping red fescues tend to be more resistant to diseases. They also tend to "green up" faster in the spring. The slender creeping red fescues are more drought tolerant and maintain colour and growth better in the autumn and early winter. Both Chewings and slender creeping red fescues are more tolerant of closer mowing than strong creeping red fescues and produce denser turf at all heights of cut.

Cultivars of hard fescue are shown in order of suitability for use in fine turf in Table L6. These grasses, along with the sheep's fescues may be used for fine turf in very dry or infertile conditions.

They are also suited to low maintenance conditions and may be of value in environmentally sensitive areas, particularly where the natural grasses are of the same species. Please note that sheep's and fine leaved sheep's fescues tend to grow in different directions and as such do not produce a uniform sward. Also, most of these grasses have been found to be fairly intolerant of wear and as a result should only be considered for use in ornamental and low maintenance areas. In contrast Quatro sheep's fescue has been found to be fairly wear tolerant. In golf and bowling green trials at the STRI this cultivar has been shown to have comparable wear tolerance to Chewings and slender creeping red fescues.

Generally, cultivars of tall fescue form turf that would be acceptable for many coarse turfgrass uses. However, they are no substitute for perennial ryegrass in normal turf situations in the UK. Tall fescues are slower in establishment, coarser in leaf texture, and as a result, less attractive in appearance. They may however, have a place under dry or low fertility conditions. Tall fescues have also been used successfully where fairly tall (15 – 20cm) but still erect swards are desirable, such as the grassed areas surrounding airfields. New improved cultivars of this grass type, some with rhizomes, are starting to become available. These grasses produce lawns of acceptable quality, particularly where fertility and water might be restricted.

Tufted hair-grass is naturally adapted to damp and shady conditions. In turf the grass forms a dense upright sward, which is fairly tolerant of wear.



Series L  
Lawns, Landscaping, Summer Sports and Turf Trials (Mown at 10-15mm)  
Table L1  
*Perennial ryegrass (Lolium perenne)*

Lawns

Cultivar	Shoot Density	Fineness of Leaf	Slow Regrowth	Visual Merit	Mean	Resistance to Red Thread	Cleanness of Cut	Winter Greenness	Summer Greenness	UK Agent
Barolympic	8.1	8.1	7.1	8.0	7.8	5.5	7.4	4.5	4.9	BAR
Cabrio	7.6	8.5	7.1	7.7	7.7	3.7	7.0	5.3	6.0	G/SMFR
Clementine	7.8	7.5	7.4	7.8	7.6	5.9	7.7	5.1	5.3	DLF/JNS/TG
Aniston	7.4	7.7	7.5	7.6	7.5	5.0	7.3	5.6	6.3	DLF/JNS
Angelina	7.3	7.1	8.2	7.3	7.5	5.8	7.7	5.2	5.5	OAS/TG
Barprrium	7.3	7.3	7.9	7.5	7.5	5.6	7.4	5.4	6.5	BAR
Barsignum	7.4	7.7	7.3	7.6	7.5	5.2	6.6	5.6	6.5	BAR
Penelope	7.2	7.8	7.6	7.3	7.5	4.3	7.2	5.7	5.6	DLF
Mocora	7.8	7.6	6.7	7.8	7.5	5.2	5.8	4.9	5.2	DLF
Alathea	7.6	7.7	6.8	7.7	7.4	6.2	6.8	5.6	5.3	DLF/OAS/TG
Baradona	7.6	7.3	7.4	7.6	7.4	4.4	7.3	5.3	6.0	BAR
Cameron	7.6	7.6	6.8	7.7	7.4	5.7	7.5	5.2	6.1	OAS/TG
Alison	7.6	7.5	6.8	7.7	7.4	6.5	7.1	5.6	5.7	DLF/MM
Aniella (LA)	7.1	7.1	8.0	7.3	7.4	7.3	6.5	5.1	5.4	DLF
Gwynett	7.8	7.9	6.1	7.7	7.4	4.4	6.7	5.2	5.1	G/DLF
Creepstar	7.3	7.6	7.3	7.2	7.3	5.3	4.6	6.9	7.5	DLF/TG
Singapore	8.0	7.8	5.8	7.8	7.3	6.9	4.6	5.1	5.2	DLF/MM
Torsion	7.3	6.9	7.9	7.2	7.3	5.5	7.8	7.3	8.0	ICL
Escapade	7.5	7.9	6.3	7.5	7.3	6.1	6.3	5.8	6.0	G/SMFR
Chloe	7.6	7.6	6.1	7.7	7.2	6.3	6.2	5.1	5.4	DLF
Estelle	7.7	7.7	5.6	7.9	7.2	5.7	5.5	5.0	4.4	OAS/TG
Barzico	7.0	7.1	7.3	7.4	7.2	6.1	6.0	5.3	5.3	BAR
Bargold	7.3	7.8	6.3	7.4	7.2	6.3	6.8	5.7	5.6	BAR
Shazam	7.5	7.1	6.6	7.5	7.2	5.0	6.7	5.0	5.2	RAGT
Etienna	7.0	7.3	7.2	7.2	7.2	5.9	6.5	5.3	5.8	DLF
Eventus	7.4	8.0	5.4	7.8	7.2	6.6	7.0	5.5	5.9	DSV
Europitch	7.1	7.5	6.5	7.4	7.1	5.3	6.6	5.0	5.7	DSV
Gianna	7.5	7.0	6.3	7.6	7.1	7.3	7.4	4.9	5.5	OAS/TG
Chardin	7.3	7.6	5.9	7.6	7.1	7.4	7.3	4.9	5.3	DLF/JNS
EG Resistus	7.3	7.3	6.6	7.2	7.1	4.5	6.5	5.8	6.2	DSV
Gildara	7.5	7.4	5.8	7.6	7.1	4.6	5.3	5.8	6.1	DLF/JNS
Barbasten	7.4	6.8	6.7	7.4	7.1	5.4	6.5	4.9	5.2	BAR
Claudine	7.2	7.1	6.8	7.1	7.1	4.8	6.3	5.2	5.6	DLF
Meara	7.2	7.2	6.5	7.1	7.0	5.5	5.0	5.4	5.7	DLF
Bonnie	7.6	7.4	5.4	7.5	7.0	6.5	6.7	4.8	5.4	TG
Biarritz	7.1	7.1	6.5	7.2	7.0	6.4	6.6	5.9	6.5	DLF/MM
Monroe	7.2	7.5	5.6	7.4	6.9	5.1	6.8	5.9	5.8	DLF/JNS
Mandalay	7.0	7.0	6.6	7.0	6.9	5.9	6.6	5.2	5.8	OAS/TG
Saila (LA)	6.8	6.6	7.3	6.8	6.9	5.7	6.1	4.5	5.0	DLF/JNS
Django	7.0	6.9	6.7	7.0	6.9	5.9	6.7	5.2	5.0	RAGT
Antonella	7.1	7.1	6.2	7.1	6.9	5.7	6.6	5.5	5.8	TG
RGT Klaxon	7.5	6.7	5.8	7.4	6.9	8.2	6.7	5.7	5.6	RAGT
Morisot	7.3	6.9	5.9	7.3	6.9	6.8	6.7	5.3	4.7	OAS/TG
Malibu	6.9	7.4	6.2	6.9	6.9	4.7	6.2	5.2	6.1	DLF/MM
Baromario	7.0	7.0	6.3	7.0	6.8	4.5	5.2	5.3	6.1	BAR
Carnac	7.6	6.8	5.9	6.9	6.8	6.4	5.8	6.0	5.9	G/SMFR

**Table L1**  
**Continued**

Cultivar	Shoot Density	Fineness of Leaf	Slow Regrowth	Visual Merit	Mean	Resistance to Red Thread	Cleaness of Cut	Winter Greenness	Summer Greenness	UK Agent
Venice	7.0	6.9	6.4	6.7	6.8	7.8	6.6	4.8	5.4	DLF/MM
Dickens 1	7.2	7.0	5.6	7.2	6.7	6.1	5.4	5.6	5.5	DLF/JNS
Duparc	7.3	6.7	5.6	7.2	6.7	8.1	6.5	5.2	5.1	OAS/TG
Groundforce	6.8	7.1	5.8	6.9	6.7	6.0	7.3	5.0	6.3	ICL
Martinella	7.0	6.5	6.4	6.8	6.7	6.6	5.3	5.3	5.5	DLF
EuroCordus	6.9	6.5	6.4	6.9	6.7	6.4	6.1	5.8	5.5	DSV
Eurobeat	6.8	6.9	5.9	7.1	6.7	5.2	2.8	5.3	5.6	DSV
Gladys	7.0	6.8	5.4	7.4	6.7	5.6	6.2	4.9	5.5	DLF/MM
Barcristalla	7.2	6.2	6.4	6.8	6.7	5.8	5.8	6.4	6.7	BAR
Annecy	6.6	6.5	6.8	6.6	6.6	6.0	6.3	5.2	5.3	DLF/MM
Melbourne	7.0	6.9	5.8	6.8	6.6	5.5	6.9	5.0	5.8	DLF/MM
Mercitwo	6.4	6.7	6.7	6.5	6.6	6.6	8.1	4.9	5.4	OAS/TG
Lionel (LA)	6.8	6.4	6.2	6.8	6.5	5.4	2.6	5.4	5.7	DLF/JNS
Nagano	6.4	6.6	6.6	6.5	6.5	5.6	6.7	5.0	4.9	DLF/MM
Barlicum	6.7	7.2	5.2	6.8	6.5	5.5	5.8	5.4	5.1	BAR
Vesuvius	7.0	6.6	5.2	7.1	6.5	6.4	6.8	5.3	5.4	G
Greenway	6.6	6.8	5.8	6.6	6.4	5.9	5.8	5.9	6.0	SUT/TG
Eurosport	7.1	6.5	5.2	7.0	6.4	5.8	5.1	5.4	5.7	DSV
Alboka	6.5	6.2	6.5	6.5	6.4	6.8	6.7	6.8	6.2	BAR/RAGT
Eurodiamond	6.2	6.6	6.3	6.5	6.4	5.0	4.2	5.7	5.7	DSV
Calico	6.8	6.6	5.4	6.8	6.4	4.7	5.6	5.8	6.4	G/SMFR
Cadix	6.5	6.8	5.9	6.3	6.4	5.7	5.6	5.8	5.5	G/SMFR
Beckham	6.5	6.2	5.8	6.8	6.3	6.7	5.4	5.3	4.7	DSV
Promotor	6.1	6.3	6.6	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.2	4.8	5.6	DLF
Cleopatra	6.3	6.1	6.4	6.4	6.3	5.8	6.1	5.1	5.6	DLF
Cyrena	6.2	6.1	6.5	6.4	6.3	5.5	6.5	5.3	5.5	DLF/MM
Coletta	6.0	6.0	7.0	6.2	6.3	6.2	7.1	5.1	5.6	G
Sirtaky	7.0	6.3	5.3	6.6	6.3	7.0	6.3	5.7	5.2	BAR/RAGT
Pascal	6.1	5.8	6.7	6.0	6.1	7.0	6.0	6.6	6.4	DSV
Berlioz 1	6.3	6.1	5.9	6.3	6.1	5.5	4.8	5.7	5.5	DLF/TG
Vulcanus	5.9	5.8	7.0	5.9	6.1	5.7	5.4	6.8	6.3	DSV
Greensky	6.0	6.2	6.4	5.9	6.1	5.9	6.0	5.4	4.8	OAS/TG
Barorlando	6.3	6.1	5.7	6.3	6.1	5.8	6.5	5.7	6.4	BAR
Fandango	6.6	5.8	5.7	6.4	6.1	6.6	6.9	6.2	5.4	BAR
Pollen	6.4	5.9	5.8	6.2	6.1	7.0	6.4	5.9	5.9	DSV
Vitellius	6.1	5.6	6.2	6.2	6.1	6.2	5.5	5.9	6.1	G
Bizet 1	6.0	5.9	5.8	6.3	6.0	6.7	5.5	5.7	5.9	DLF
Transate	5.9	5.6	5.8	6.0	5.8	7.3	6.2	6.1	6.0	DSV
Essence	5.6	6.3	5.7	5.4	5.8	4.3	5.9	6.1	5.6	DLF
Stravinsky	5.8	4.8	6.8	5.6	5.7	6.4	5.3	8.3	8.0	DLF
Columbine	5.6	5.8	5.5	5.9	5.7	5.6	5.3	5.9	5.4	DLF/TG
Neruda 1	5.6	5.3	6.2	5.7	5.7	7.1	5.9	8.6	8.1	DLF/TG
Passion	6.0	5.8	5.2	5.7	5.7	6.8	5.7	5.9	5.4	DLF/MM
Turfgold	5.3	5.2	6.7	5.3	5.6	6.1	6.2	6.7	6.3	DSV
Platinum	5.6	5.5	6.0	5.3	5.6	5.9	5.9	7.3	6.5	DLF
Esquire	5.3	5.0	6.7	5.2	5.5	6.0	5.7	6.9	6.9	DLF
Jubilee EG	5.4	5.7	5.8	5.2	5.5	4.9	5.6	5.9	6.1	DSV
Eterlou	5.2	5.0	6.0	5.1	5.3	5.9	5.1	6.7	6.7	DSV
Ponderosa	5.1	5.3	5.2	4.9	5.1	5.4	5.3	6.5	6.0	DLF/MM

LA = Limited availability

**Table L1**  
Continued

Cultivar	Shoot Density	Fineness of Leaf	Slow Regrowth	Visual Merit	Mean	Resistance to Red Thread	Cleanness of Cut	Winter Greenness	Summer Greenness	UK Agent
<b>New Cultivars</b>										
Barpersie	9.0	8.5	5.8	9.0	8.1	5.0	7.0	4.2	5.2	BAR
Lancelot (LA)	8.4	8.4	7.0	8.3	8.0	6.8	6.5	4.8	5.6	OAS/TG
Clochette (LA)	7.6	8.0	8.2	7.9	7.9	4.4	7.4	5.6	6.2	G/SMFR
Duranova (LA)	7.8	7.8	7.1	7.7	7.6	5.4	5.3	5.3	4.8	DLF/JNS
Altivo (LA)	7.9	7.1	5.5	7.6	7.0	6.6	7.8	4.5	5.7	BAR

**Table L2**  
Smooth-stalked meadow-grass (*Poa pratensis*)

Cultivar	Shoot Density	Fineness of leaf	Slow Regrowth	Visual Merit	Mean	Resistance to Rust	Winter Greenness	Summer Greenness	UK Agent
Rihanna	8.0	7.8	6.5	7.8	7.5	5.1	6.1	5.5	DLF/MM
Becca	8.3	7.9	5.5	8.1	7.5	7.4	5.4	5.2	DLF/MM
Greenplay	7.8	7.5	6.1	7.8	7.3	6.0	5.9	5.1	OAS/TG
Sombrero	7.6	7.3	6.7	7.5	7.3	5.2	5.6	5.2	DLF/JNS
Lincolnshire	7.9	7.5	5.8	7.9	7.3	4.8	6.2	5.2	DSV
Joker (LA)	7.6	7.5	6.5	7.5	7.3	6.4	6.0	5.4	DSV
Limousine	7.9	7.6	5.8	7.7	7.2	5.3	6.0	5.1	DSV
Barhelene	7.7	7.5	6.0	7.6	7.2	5.5	5.8	5.1	BAR
Borsala	7.0	7.2	7.2	6.9	7.1	6.4	5.3	5.4	DLF
Yvette	7.2	7.3	6.5	7.1	7.1	6.8	5.8	5.6	DLF/MM
Xiamara	7.5	7.2	5.9	7.3	7.0	7.4	5.3	5.6	DLF/MM
Julius	7.6	6.9	5.6	7.2	6.8	5.2	5.8	4.8	DLF
Abalina (LA)	7.0	6.7	6.3	6.9	6.7	7.7	5.3	5.7	DLF/MM
Dakisha	7.0	6.4	6.0	7.0	6.6	7.5	4.6	5.6	DLF/TG
Powerplay	6.1	5.9	8.2	5.8	6.5	6.8	6.4	7.1	DSV
Miracle	6.3	6.2	6.2	6.4	6.3	7.2	5.4	7.0	DLF
Conni	6.3	6.0	6.2	6.6	6.3	5.9	5.9	6.1	DLF
Tetris	6.2	6.3	6.5	6.0	6.2	6.4	7.6	6.0	G
Markus	6.6	5.9	5.3	6.5	6.1	6.1	5.6	5.7	DSV
Zeptor	5.8	5.2	6.1	5.8	5.7	6.1	5.8	6.9	DSV
Bluenote	5.8	5.3	5.3	5.7	5.5	5.9	7.3	7.0	DSV
Dauntless	5.9	5.5	4.9	5.7	5.5	7.4	6.7	6.6	DSV
Bariris	5.6	5.6	5.0	5.5	5.4	5.3	5.3	5.9	BAR
Evora	4.5	4.2	4.9	4.5	4.5	4.5	5.9	7.1	DLF
New Cultivars									
Isadora (LA)	7.6	6.6	6.1	7.1	6.9	-	5.0	5.7	DLF/MM

LA = Limited availability  
- = Data not available

Series L

Lawns, Landscaping, Summer Sports and Turf Trials (Mown at 10-15mm)

Table L3

Chewings fescue (*Festuca rubra commutata*)

Cultivar	Shoot Density	Visual Merit	Mean	Resistance to Red Thread	Winter Greenness	Summer Greenness	UK Agent
Orionette	7.6	8.0	7.8	7.3	4.0	4.8	DLF/JNS
EuroCarina	7.5	7.3	7.4	6.6	5.8	5.9	DSV
Dancing (LA)	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.0	5.9	6.2	BAR
Caldris	7.4	7.3	7.4	6.3	4.7	4.9	DLF/MM
Ramona	7.3	7.4	7.3	6.8	5.5	5.5	DSV
Brittany	7.4	7.2	7.3	5.8	5.3	5.4	DLF/MM
Barlineus	7.4	7.1	7.3	7.6	6.6	5.4	BAR
Siskin	7.3	7.2	7.2	7.8	5.9	7.4	DLF/JNS
Musica	7.1	7.3	7.2	6.5	5.6	6.3	BAR
Camanette (LA)	7.3	7.1	7.2	5.5	5.0	6.4	G/SMFR
Bodega	7.1	7.2	7.1	6.3	6.4	5.5	BAR/RAGT
Gima	7.1	7.1	7.1	6.4	5.2	5.8	DLF/JNS
Bogart	6.9	7.2	7.1	6.9	5.3	5.2	DLF/JNS
Greensleeves	6.9	7.1	7.0	6.7	5.6	5.7	OAS/TG
Esparina	7.0	6.9	7.0	6.8	6.5	8.0	DLF
Fillius	7.2	6.7	7.0	5.8	5.9	5.7	DSV
Humboldt	7.0	6.9	6.9	6.6	6.2	6.4	DLF/JNS
Greenmile	7.0	6.9	6.9	6.2	7.3	6.8	TG
Balkan	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.2	4.8	5.9	DLF
Antoinette	6.7	6.8	6.8	6.5	5.6	6.0	DSV
Bargreen II	7.0	6.5	6.7	5.7	5.1	5.4	BAR
Highnote	6.9	6.5	6.7	5.1	5.7	6.1	G
Nikky	6.6	6.6	6.6	5.8	5.9	6.5	DLF/MM
Joanna	6.6	6.6	6.6	5.1	7.0	7.7	G
Barchip	6.6	6.6	6.6	5.8	6.6	7.4	BAR
Mission	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	7.0	7.7	DSV
Annalena	6.7	6.1	6.4	4.6	6.3	7.1	DSV
Calliope	6.6	5.9	6.2	5.3	4.3	5.8	TG/DLF
Capriccio	6.3	6.1	6.2	6.2	4.8	5.8	DLF
Trophy	5.6	6.5	6.1	6.8	5.6	6.2	DLF/MM
Wagner 1	6.0	6.0	6.0	5.6	6.9	7.4	DLF
Belleaire	5.8	6.1	5.9	4.6	6.8	7.3	SUT/TG
New Cultivars							
Nightclub (LA)	8.2	8.3	8.2	7.8	4.2	4.7	BAR
Hiphop	7.5	7.6	7.5	6.2	5.1	5.7	RAGT

LA = Limited availability



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Table L4  
Slender creeping red fescue (*Festuca rubra litoralis*)

Lawns

Cultivar	Shoot Density	Visual Merit	Mean	Resistance to Red Thread	Winter Greenness	Summer Greenness	UK Agent
Barquess (LA)	7.9	8.5	8.2	7.7	4.1	3.9	BAR
Nigella	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.0	5.6	6.8	DLF/JNS
Beudin	7.6	7.7	7.7	6.5	5.9	5.6	OAS/TG
Seroa	7.6	7.6	7.6	6.9	5.2	6.3	DLF/JNS
Barcrown	7.7	7.4	7.6	8.5	5.5	6.5	BAR
Absolom	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.3	4.5	5.2	DLF/JNS
Aporina	7.3	7.6	7.4	7.0	6.3	5.8	DLF/MM
Cezanne	7.3	7.4	7.4	6.1	6.2	6.5	DLF/JNS
Cathy	7.2	7.2	7.2	6.0	4.8	5.9	DLF/MM
Ola (LA)	7.0	7.4	7.2	7.1	4.4	4.0	BAR
Tasida (LA)	7.4	6.9	7.1	6.4	6.8	8.3	DSV
Barpearl	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.9	6.1	6.2	BAR
Viktorka	7.1	7.0	7.0	7.5	6.1	7.0	BAR
Mirador	7.1	7.0	7.0	6.8	5.4	5.7	G
Barswilcan	6.8	6.8	6.8	7.5	4.6	4.6	BAR
Maryse (LA)	6.8	6.9	6.8	5.8	6.3	6.1	DLF/MM
Cantando	6.6	6.8	6.7	5.5	6.5	5.9	RAGT
Sarolea	6.7	6.6	6.7	6.2	6.0	6.8	DLF
Valdora	6.6	6.7	6.6	5.9	5.6	5.8	TG
Aiglon	6.6	6.7	6.6	6.4	5.3	6.0	DLF
Archibal	6.5	6.5	6.5	5.0	5.7	6.2	DLF
Charlotte	6.5	6.4	6.4	6.0	5.2	5.9	G/DSV
AberCharm	6.6	6.3	6.4	6.0	7.3	7.9	G
Teenie	6.4	6.0	6.2	5.9	6.9	6.5	DSV
EuroMarie	6.1	6.3	6.2	5.0	8.0	6.0	DSV
Musette	6.1	6.2	6.1	4.4	6.8	6.3	BAR
Vivien	6.3	5.9	6.1	5.6	7.7	7.8	DLF/MM
Pinafore	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.0	7.1	6.8	DLF
Cathrine	5.9	5.6	5.7	5.3	8.4	7.7	DSV
Reggae	5.9	5.5	5.7	4.2	6.2	6.0	BAR
Nicole	5.4	5.6	5.5	6.0	6.6	6.5	DSV
Smirna	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.8	5.4	5.3	DLF/MM
Samanta	5.0	5.1	5.1	5.0	5.3	5.2	DLF
New Cultivars							
Barnoustie (LA)	8.2	8.4	8.3	7.8	6.0	6.0	BAR

LA = Limited availability

# Series L Lawns, Landscaping, Summer Sports and Turf Trials (Mown at 10-15mm)

**Table L5**

Strong creeping red fescue (*Festuca rubra rubra*)

Cultivar	Shoot Density	Visual Merit	Mean	Resistance to Red Thread	Winter Greenness	Summer Greenness	UK Agent
Laverda	6.2	6.2	6.2	4.6	5.3	6.2	DLF/JNS
Rossinante	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.5	5.5	DLF/JNS
Barrissee	5.8	6.0	5.9	6.6	6.0	5.2	BAR
Runa	5.7	5.9	5.8	5.0	5.4	5.6	DLF
Hastings	5.6	5.7	5.7	4.8	5.3	5.4	OAS/TG
Maracas (LA)	5.6	5.5	5.5	4.8	5.3	5.3	BAR
Sergei	5.5	5.3	5.4	5.1	5.8	6.0	BAR/DLF
Joshua (LA)	5.6	5.1	5.3	4.6	5.2	5.7	DLF/MM
Benji	5.4	5.2	5.3	5.2	6.9	6.2	DLF/MM
Ryder	5.3	5.0	5.1	4.6	6.6	5.8	DSV
Heidrun	5.2	5.1	5.1	5.2	6.1	5.7	DLF/MM
Cabarette (LA)	5.1	5.2	5.1	3.6	5.9	4.9	SMFR/G
Barjessica	5.1	5.0	5.0	5.6	5.4	7.2	BAR
Polka	5.0	5.0	5.0	4.9	6.3	5.5	BAR
Mellori	5.0	4.9	5.0	4.9	7.3	6.7	DSV
Magitte	4.9	5.1	5.0	4.6	7.4	6.8	DSV
Quintet	4.8	5.1	5.0	4.7	5.4	5.2	RAGT
Camilla	4.8	5.0	4.9	5.4	7.6	6.9	DSV
Jasperina	4.9	4.8	4.9	4.0	6.6	6.7	DSV
Corail	4.5	4.4	4.4	4.8	6.0	5.9	DLF/MM
Barustic	4.3	4.4	4.4	4.0	5.6	5.8	BAR
Dipper	4.4	4.3	4.3	4.0	6.6	5.6	DSV
Mystic	4.1	4.2	4.2	5.3	6.8	6.8	SUT/TG
Maxima 1	4.0	4.1	4.1	4.7	7.0	5.9	DLF
Kolossos	4.0	4.0	4.0	2.6	7.4	7.1	DLF
Record	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.7	8.7	7.9	DSV
Relevant	4.0	3.9	3.9	5.1	5.6	5.5	DSV
Boreal	3.2	3.5	3.3	3.9	4.9	4.9	Fa*
<b>New Cultivars</b>							
Jazzy	5.6	5.7	5.7	4.8	4.3	5.6	RAGT

LA = Limited availability

Fa\* = Freely Available

Series L

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Table L6

Hard and Sheep's fescue (*Festuca longifolia* and *Festuca ovina*)

Cultivar	Shoot Density	Visual Merit	Mean	Resistance to Red Thread	Winter Greenness	Summer Greenness	UK Agent
Hard fescue ( <i>Festuca longifolia</i> )							
Crystal	7.4	6.9	7.1	6.9	6.6	6.9	DLF/JNS/MM
Beacon	7.2	7.0	7.1	6.3	7.2	5.9	BAR
Sword	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.2	7.6	5.9	G
Hardtop	6.3	6.0	6.1	5.5	6.9	6.1	BAR
Dumas 1	5.9	5.9	5.9	6.3	6.7	5.9	DLF
Mentor	5.6	5.6	5.6	6.3	5.1	5.2	DSV
Sheep's fescue ( <i>Festuca ovina</i> )							
Quatro	8.4	7.9	8.2	8.4	6.5	7.0	DLF/JNS
AberFleece	7.8	6.8	7.3	5.4	5.9	6.7	G

Table L7

Bentgrasses (*Agrostis spp*)

Cultivar	Shoot Density	Fineness of Leaf	Visual Merit	Mean	Resistance to Red Thread	Winter Greenness	Summer Greenness	UK Agent
Browntop bent ( <i>Agrostis capillaris</i> )								
Charles	7.7	7.6	7.4	7.6	5.0	5.7	6.2	BAR
Arrowtown	7.1	6.9	7.4	7.1	5.5	5.5	6.1	DLF/JNS
BarkKing	6.8	6.7	7.3	6.9	5.5	7.0	5.8	BAR
Cleek	6.8	6.3	7.1	6.7	5.6	5.4	6.1	DLF/JNS/MM
Heriot	6.6	6.4	7.3	6.7	5.6	6.7	6.3	BAR
AberRegal	6.7	6.5	6.9	6.7	5.7	7.4	6.6	G
Manor	6.6	6.4	7.1	6.7	5.9	5.6	5.4	DLF/JNS
Egmont	6.5	6.3	7.1	6.7	6.2	6.8	6.4	TG
Sefton	6.1	6.3	6.9	6.4	5.2	6.0	5.4	DLF/MM
Jorvik	6.3	6.3	6.5	6.4	4.9	6.1	6.9	DLF
Arletta	5.7	6.2	6.3	6.1	5.2	6.0	5.2	DLF/MM
Highland bent ( <i>Agrostis castellana</i> )								
Highland	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.3	5.0	8.0	4.8	Fa*
Creeping bent ( <i>Agrostis stolonifera</i> )								
007 DSB	6.4	6.1	6.1	6.2	6.8	6.9	6.6	G

Fa\* = Freely Available

## Series L Lawns, Landscaping, Summer Sports and Turf Trials (Mown at 10-15mm)

### Table L8

Tall fescue (*Festuca arundinacea*)

Cultivar	Shoot Density	Fineness of Leaf	Slow Regrowth	Visual Merit	Mean	Winter Greenness	Summer Greenness	UK Agent
RGT Nuance	8.0	8.4	5.2	8.3	7.5	3.8	4.1	BAR/RAGT
Essential	7.4	7.2	6.9	7.2	7.2	6.9	6.5	OAS/TG
Armani	6.8	7.5	5.5	7.0	6.7	4.9	4.5	OAS/TG
Melyane	7.2	6.7	6.0	6.8	6.7	5.0	5.1	DSV
Barcesar	6.7	7.2	5.8	6.6	6.6	5.4	5.0	BAR
Granditte	7.2	5.8	6.9	6.5	6.6	7.0	6.7	OAS/TG
Debussy 1	6.6	6.1	6.3	6.6	6.4	7.1	7.2	DLF/JNS
Meandre	5.8	6.1	6.1	5.8	6.0	5.3	5.9	DSV
Foxhound	5.9	5.5	6.7	5.4	5.9	7.3	7.2	DLF
Turfway	5.9	5.7	6.4	5.4	5.9	7.4	7.1	TG
Grande II	5.7	5.4	5.4	5.6	5.5	6.5	6.6	OAS/TG
Starlett	5.4	4.8	5.3	5.3	5.2	6.2	6.0	DLF
<b>New Cultivars</b>								
Regenerate	8.9	6.4	7.4	7.7	7.6	6.9	6.6	DSV
Greenheaven	6.6	4.7	7.6	5.4	6.1	6.6	6.7	ICL

### Table L9

Tufted hair-grass (*Deschampsia caespitosa*)

Cultivar	Shoot Density	Visual Merit	Fineness of Leaf	Slow Regrowth	Mean	Resistance to Red Thread	Winter Greenness	Summer Greenness	UK Agent
Barcampisia	8.6	8.2	8.4	4.7	7.5	5.3	6.3	4.9	BAR
Desanto	6.3	6.7	6.4	6.2	6.4	5.4	5.9	5.6	DSV
Trakaj	6.5	5.8	6.2	6.8	6.3	6.2	5.4	6.4	DSV
Deshade	5.8	6.2	6.4	5.8	6.0	4.0	6.9	4.5	DSV



Series G  
Greens, Close Mown Trials (Mown at 4-5mm)

Bentgrasses (Table G1), Chewings fescue (Table G2), Slender creeping red fescue (Table G3), Perennial ryegrass (Table G4), Hard, Sheep's and Strong creeping red fescues (*Festuca spp.*) (Table G5)

Applications

- Golf greens
- Bowling greens
- Ornamental lawns

Cultivars of bentgrass species are listed in order of their suitability for use in very close mown turf, such as golf and bowling greens, mown at 4mm, in Table G1 (page 20). Currently there are no cultivars of velvet bentgrass listed for Turfgrass Seed.

For very fine turf, such as golf greens and bowling greens, the finer and denser cultivars of *A. capillaris* appear to perform best under traditional UK management and growing conditions. Higher management inputs are required to maintain creeping bentgrasses.

Velvet bentgrass (*A. canina*) produces exceptionally dense turf and generally has better drought tolerance than the other bentgrass species. However, it also produces more thatch than other bents and this would need to be controlled to maintain the very good surface, which this grass can produce.

Cultivars of Chewings fescue and slender creeping red fescue are shown in order of their suitability for use in very close mown turf, such as (golf and bowling greens, mown at (5 mm), in Tables G2 (page 21) and G3 (page 22). As for the bentgrasses, the order was determined from the mean of each cultivars visual merit and shoot density scores. These grasses can produce acceptable greens under restricted watering and fertility regimes that would limit the performance of some bentgrasses.

Table G4 (page 23) describes the performance of perennial ryegrass cultivars that have been evaluated under close mowing (5 mm summer and 7 mm winter). These grasses should be used in situations where the need for quick establishment and wear tolerance is combined with a degree of close mowing. They should not be seen as a replacement for bentgrasses or fine fescues in golf or bowling greens.

The cutting heights described above may be relaxed if required by turf management or climatic conditions.



Series G  
Greens, Close Mown Trials (Mown at 4mm)

Table G1  
Bentgrasses (*Agrostis* spp.)

Greens	Cultivar	Shoot Density	Visual Merit	Mean	Fitness of Leaf	Resistance to Red Thread	Winter Greenness	Summer Greenness	UK Agent
	Browntop bent ( <i>Agrostis capillaris</i> )								
	Charles	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.3	-	5.2	5.7	BAR
	Arrowtown	7.0	7.2	7.1	6.8	5.9	4.7	5.7	DLF/JNS
	Cleek	6.9	7.0	7.0	6.3	-	4.9	5.7	DLF/JNS/MM
	Manor	6.8	7.0	6.9	6.4	5.5	5.4	5.4	DLF/JNS
	Musket	6.6	6.9	6.8	6.8	-	5.9	5.6	G
	BarkKing	6.4	7.0	6.7	6.4	5.7	6.9	5.9	BAR
	Egmont	6.6	6.7	6.7	6.2	6.1	6.4	6.6	TG
	Sefton	6.5	6.8	6.6	6.7	5.1	5.5	5.1	DLF/MM
	AberRegal	6.5	6.7	6.6	6.4	6.3	7.0	6.6	G
	Heritage	6.3	6.7	6.5	6.1	-	6.3	7.0	ICL
	Jorvik	6.3	6.4	6.4	6.3	5.0	6.6	7.6	DLF
	AberRoyal	6.2	6.3	6.3	6.2	5.8	6.8	6.7	G
	Arietta	5.8	6.2	6.0	6.9	5.0	6.3	5.5	DLF/MM
	Creeping bent ( <i>Agrostis stolonifera</i> )								
	Tour Pro (GDE)	6.6	7.0	6.8	6.6	-	5.4	5.3	G
	Riptide	6.6	6.8	6.7	6.7	-	5.8	5.0	ICL
	007 DSB	6.3	6.5	6.4	6.3	5.9	6.9	5.4	G
	Cobra nova	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.0	7.4	5.9	DLF/JNS
	Mackenzie	6.1	6.0	6.0	6.0	5.1	6.6	5.5	DSV
	Proclamation	5.8	6.1	5.9	5.7	-	6.8	5.6	DSV

LA = Limited availability  
- = Data not available

Series G  
Greens, Close Mown Trials (Mown at 5mm)

Table G2  
Chewings fescue (*Festuca rubra commutata*)

Cultivar	Shoot Density	Visual Merit	Mean	Resistance to Red Thread	Winter Greenness	Summer Greenness	UK Agent
Camanette (LA)	8.0	7.7	7.9	5.2	6.0	6.7	G/SMFR
Barlineus	8.0	7.7	7.9	7.2	6.9	5.5	BAR
Dancing (LA)	7.8	7.7	7.8	6.3	6.1	6.3	BAR
Filius	7.8	7.6	7.7	5.7	6.1	5.7	DSV
Bogart	7.6	7.7	7.7	6.6	5.2	5.5	DLF/JNS
EuroCarina	7.8	7.5	7.7	6.0	6.5	6.2	DSV
Orionette	7.3	7.9	7.6	7.1	5.2	5.0	DLF/JNS
Bargreen II	7.6	7.5	7.6	6.5	6.0	5.7	BAR
Ramona	7.4	7.6	7.5	7.2	6.0	6.2	DSV
Gima	7.4	7.5	7.4	5.7	5.8	5.9	DLF/JNS
Bodega	7.4	7.4	7.4	6.6	6.2	6.1	BAR/RAGT
Brittany	7.4	7.3	7.3	5.6	6.1	6.0	DLF/MM
Greensleeves	7.4	7.3	7.3	6.8	6.2	6.1	OAS/TG
Musica	7.3	7.4	7.3	6.2	6.0	6.5	BAR
Nikky	7.4	7.2	7.3	5.8	6.9	7.2	DLF/MM
Caldris	7.2	7.2	7.2	5.8	5.5	5.6	DLF/MM
Humboldt	7.2	7.0	7.1	5.9	6.6	6.6	DLF/JNS
Siskin	7.0	7.1	7.0	7.2	5.5	7.8	DLF/JNS
Annalena	7.2	6.9	7.0	4.0	7.2	7.7	DSV
Balkan	6.9	6.8	6.9	7.8	5.2	5.8	DLF
Esparina	6.8	6.7	6.8	7.0	6.2	8.0	DLF
Highnote	6.8	6.6	6.7	5.2	6.3	6.5	G
Belleaire	6.5	6.8	6.7	4.7	6.5	6.8	SUT/TG
Antoinette	6.8	6.5	6.7	6.1	6.6	6.2	DSV
Barchip	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.1	7.0	7.5	BAR
Greenmile	6.5	6.6	6.5	7.2	6.5	6.7	TG
Calliope	6.6	6.2	6.4	4.8	5.1	5.7	TG/DLF
Mission	6.3	6.3	6.3	5.3	7.6	7.8	DSV
Wagner 1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.6	7.5	DLF
Joanna	6.2	5.8	6.0	4.5	7.0	7.5	G
Trophy	5.7	6.2	5.9	6.6	5.6	6.1	DLF/MM
Capriccio	5.9	5.6	5.8	6.4	4.6	6.0	DLF
New Cultivars							
Nightclub (LA)	7.9	7.8	7.9	4.6	5.2	4.9	BAR

LA = Limited availability

Series G  
Greens, Close Mown Trials (Mown at 5mm)

Table G3  
Slender creeping red fescues (*Festuca rubra litoralis*)

Cultivar	Shoot Density	Visual Merit	Mean	Resistance to Red Thread	Winter Greenness	Summer Greenness	UK Agent
Barnoustie (LA)	8.3	8.5	8.4	7.3	6.1	5.4	BAR
Ola (LA)	7.5	8.2	7.8	7.2	4.6	4.3	BAR
Seroa	7.5	7.5	7.5	6.7	5.8	5.9	DLF/JNS
Barcrown	7.7	7.2	7.5	8.3	5.9	6.4	BAR
Beudin	7.4	7.5	7.4	7.0	5.5	5.1	OAS/TG
Cezanne	7.3	7.5	7.4	6.4	5.6	6.3	DLF/JNS
Absolom	7.1	7.7	7.4	7.8	4.2	5.0	DLF/JNS
Nigella	7.3	7.4	7.4	7.4	5.2	6.1	DLF/JNS
Viktorka	7.5	7.2	7.4	7.8	6.0	7.1	BAR
Cathy	7.2	7.2	7.2	6.4	4.6	5.5	DLF/MM
Barpearl	6.9	7.2	7.1	8.0	6.1	6.2	BAR
Cantando	6.8	7.0	6.9	5.2	6.5	6.2	RAGT
Aporina	6.8	7.0	6.9	6.5	6.0	5.5	DLF/MM
Charlotte	6.9	6.9	6.9	5.6	5.5	5.9	G/DSV
Teenie	6.9	6.5	6.7	6.4	7.2	6.5	DSV
Mirador	6.7	6.6	6.6	7.3	4.7	5.3	G
AberCharm	6.8	6.3	6.6	5.0	6.9	8.2	G
Aiglon	6.4	6.6	6.5	5.0	5.2	5.9	DLF
Sarolea	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.0	6.0	6.5	DLF
Musette	6.4	6.4	6.4	4.7	6.3	6.2	BAR
EuroMarie	6.4	6.4	6.4	4.7	7.2	6.0	DSV
Kasinski	6.5	6.2	6.3	6.3	8.1	8.1	DLF
Archibal	6.2	6.4	6.3	6.0	5.4	6.2	DLF
Vivien	6.4	6.2	6.3	5.7	7.3	7.8	DLF/MM
Reggae	6.3	6.3	6.3	3.8	6.5	6.0	BAR
Cathrine	6.1	6.0	6.0	5.7	8.2	7.8	DSV
Nicole	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.0	6.1	6.2	DSV
Smirna	5.7	5.8	5.7	5.7	5.5	5.3	DLF/MM
Borluna	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.8	5.5	7.5	G
Samanta	4.9	5.2	5.1	5.6	5.7	5.2	DLF
New Cultivars							
Barquess (LA)	7.9	8.3	8.1	7.0	5.1	3.7	BAR
Tasida (LA)	7.8	7.1	7.4	6.3	7.2	8.2	DSV
Maryse (LA)	7.1	7.2	7.1	6.0	7.0	5.6	DLF/MM

LA = Limited availability

Series G

Greens, Close Mown Trials (Mown at 5-7mm)

Table G4

Perennial ryegrass (*Lolium perenne*)

Cultivar	Shoot Density	Visual Merit	Mean	Finess of Leaf	Resistance to Red Thread	Winter Greenness	Summer Greenness	UK Agent
Barolympic	8.4	8.8	8.6	8.2	6.1	3.8	4.0	BAR
Clementine	7.4	7.5	7.4	6.6	6.5	5.7	5.4	DLF/JNS/TG
Cabrio	7.2	7.4	7.3	8.3	4.9	5.3	6.0	G/SMFR
Barsignum	7.0	6.9	7.0	6.9	6.6	6.0	7.2	BAR
Estelle	6.4	6.8	6.6	6.5	7.3	5.8	4.5	OAS/TG
Bargold	6.4	6.7	6.6	6.8	5.9	6.6	6.0	BAR
Chloe	6.5	6.6	6.6	6.2	6.2	5.9	5.1	DLF
Monroe	6.4	6.6	6.5	6.8	6.0	6.6	6.5	DLF/JNS
Dickens 1	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.0	6.1	5.7	5.1	DLF/JNS
Escapade	6.4	6.0	6.2	6.6	6.6	6.3	6.5	G/SMFR
Chardin	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.4	6.1	4.1	4.8	DLF/JNS
Cyrena	6.2	6.2	6.2	5.3	7.2	5.6	5.6	DLF/MM
Antonella	6.1	6.0	6.1	6.3	6.4	5.9	7.0	TG
Eventus	5.8	6.0	5.9	6.9	7.2	6.6	7.1	DSV
Gianna	5.8	5.9	5.8	5.5	7.3	5.4	6.2	OAS/TG
Greenway	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.0	6.3	6.3	SUT/TG
Columbine	5.2	5.1	5.2	5.4	3.2	7.1	6.6	DLF/TG
Venice	5.1	5.0	5.0	5.2	5.9	4.7	5.4	DLF/MM
Mercitwo	4.9	4.9	4.9	5.0	7.0	5.5	5.7	OAS/TG
New Cultivars								
Barprrium	6.8	7.1	7.0	6.7	3.5	7.0	6.8	BAR
Singapore	6.2	6.2	6.2	7.4	6.7	4.7	4.5	DLF/MM
Alison	5.4	5.5	5.5	5.6	5.6	7.7	6.6	DLF/MM

Table G5

Hard, Sheep's and Strong creeping red fescues (*Festuca spp.*)

The performance of strong creeping red fescues, hard fescues and Sheep's fescues have been evaluated as a group for use in close mown turf (Table G5). These grasses tolerate a degree of close mowing and can form an attractive close mown turf. They could be used as an alternative to, or in combination with, Chewings and slender creeping red fescue for many fine turf uses. However, they will not match superior Chewings and slender creeping red fescue cultivars for use in high quality golf greens. Sheep's fescues tend to form noticeable growth patterns (whorls) in fine turf. This is not unattractive but can make them difficult to stripe up with a mower.

Series G

Greens, Close Mown Trials (Mown at 4-5mm)

Table G5

Continued

Cultivar	Shoot Density	Visual Merit	Mean	Resistance to Red Thread	Winter Greenness	Summer Greenness	UK Agent
Hard fescue ( <i>Festuca longifolia</i> )							
Hardtop	6.6	6.3	6.5	7.1	7.9	7.1	BAR
<b>New Cultivars</b>							
Mentor	4.8	4.9	4.8	7.0	5.4	6.3	DSV
Sheep's fescue ( <i>F. ovina</i> )							
Quatro	8.2	8.1	8.2	7.2	7.4	7.5	DLF/JNS
Strong creeping red fescue ( <i>F. rubra rubra</i> )							
Rossinante	5.9	6.3	6.1	5.9	5.7	5.4	DLF/JNS
Barrisse	6.0	6.0	6.0	-	5.4	5.1	BAR
Runa	5.5	5.6	5.5	5.8	5.6	5.0	DLF
Hastings	5.3	5.5	5.4	4.9	5.4	5.2	OAS/TG

LA = Limited availability

- = Data not available

Series M

Miscellaneous grasses

Miscellaneous Grasses

Other Grasses (Table M1)

Table M1 lists the availability of minor turfgrass species. The performance of these grasses may differ from the more traditional amenity grass species and these differences have yet to be fully determined. They should, therefore, be treated with some caution as their growth characteristics and susceptibility to disease will differ from more commonly used grass species.

Miscellaneous Grasses

Other Grasses (Table M1)

Cultivar	Wear Tolerance	Shoot Density	Fineness of Leaf	Visual Merit	Slow Regrowth	UK Agent
Rough stalked meadow-grass ( <i>Poa trivialis</i> ) Note 1						
Sabrena 1	-	5.4	8.2	5.0	8.0	DLF

Notes:

1 Comparable with smooth-stalked meadow-grass

- = Data not available



Cultivar	Species	Tables	Cultivar	Species	Tables
Abalina (LA)	Smooth-stalked meadow-grass	S2 L2	Barorlando	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
AberCharm	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3	Barpearl	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3
AberFleece	Sheep's fescue	L6	Barpersie	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
AberRegal	Browntop bent	L7 G1	Barprium	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1 G4
AberRoyal	Browntop bent	G1	Barquess (LA)	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3
Absolom	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3	Barrissee	Strong creeping red fescue	L5 G5
Agreement	Perennial ryegrass	S1	Barsignum	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1 G4
Aiglon	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3	Barswilcan	Slender creeping red fescue	L4
Alathea	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1	Barthierry	Perennial ryegrass	S1
Alboka	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1	Barustic	Strong creeping red fescue	L5
Alison	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1 G4	Barzico	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Altivo (LA)	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1	Beacon	Hard Fescue	L6
Angelina	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1	Becca	Smooth-stalked meadow-grass	S2 L2
Aniella (LA)	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1	Beckham	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Aniston	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1	Belleaire	Chewings fescue	L3 G2
Annalena	Chewings fescue	L3 G2	Benji	Strong creeping red fescue	L5
Annecy	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1	Berlioz 1	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Antoinette	Chewings fescue	L3 G2	Beudin	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3
Antonella	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1 G4	Biarritz	Perennial ryegrass	L1
Aporia	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3	Bizet 1	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Archibal	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3	Bluenote	Smooth-stalked meadow-grass	S2 L2
Arietta	Browntop bent	L7 G1	Bodega	Chewings fescue	L3 G2
Armani	Tall fescue	S3 L8	Bogart	Chewings fescue	L3 G2
Arrowtown	Browntop bent	L7 G1	Bonnie	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Balkan	Chewings fescue	L3 G2	Boreal	Strong creeping red fescue	L5
Baradona	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1	Borluna	Slender creeping red fescue	G3
Barbasten	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1	Borsala	Smooth-stalked meadow-grass	S2 L2
Barcampsia	Tufted hair-grass	S4 L9	Brittany	Chewings fescue	L3 G2
Barcesar	Tall fescue	S3 L8	Cabarette (LA)	Strong creeping red fescue	L5
Barchip	Chewings fescue	L3 G2	Cabrio	Perennial ryegrass	L1 G4
Barcristalla	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1	Cadix	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Barcrown	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3	Caldris	Chewings fescue	L3 G2
Bardorado	Perennial ryegrass	S1	Calico	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Bargold	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1 G4	Calliope	Chewings fescue	L3 G2
Bargreen II	Chewings fescue	L3 G2	Camanette (LA)	Chewings fescue	L3 G2
Barhelene	Smooth-stalked meadow-grass	S2 L2	Cameron	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Bariris	Smooth-stalked meadow-grass	S2 L2	Camilla	Strong creeping red fescue	L5
Barjessica	Strong creeping red fescue	L5	Cantando	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3
BarkKing	Browntop bent	L7 G1	Capriccio	Chewings fescue	L3 G2
Barlexas II	Tall fescue	S3	Carnac	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Barlicum	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1	Cathrine	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3
Barlineus	Chewings fescue	L3 G2	Cathy	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3
Barnoustie (LA)	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3	Cezanne	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3
Barolympic	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1 G4	Chardin	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1 G4
Baromario	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1	Charles	Browntop bent	L7 G1

Cultivar	Species	Tables
Charlotte	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3
Chloe	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1 G4
Claudine	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Cleek	Browntop bent	L7 G1
Clementine	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1 G4
Cleopatra	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Clochette (LA)	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Cobra nova	Creeping bent	G1
Coletta	Perennial ryegrass	L1
Columbine	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1 G4
Conni	Smooth-stalked meadow-grass	S2 L2
Corail	Strong creeping red fescue	L5
Creepstar	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Crystal	Hard Fescue	L6
Cyrena	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1 G4
Dakisha	Smooth-stalked meadow-grass	S2 L2
Dancing (LA)	Chewings fescue	L3 G2
Dauntless	Smooth-stalked meadow-grass	S2 L2
Debussy 1	Tall fescue	S3 L8
Desanto	Tufted hair-grass	S4 L9
Deshade	Tufted hair-grass	S4 L9
Dickens 1	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1 G4
Dipper	Strong creeping red fescue	L5
Django	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Double	Perennial ryegrass	S1s
Dumas 1	Hard Fescue	L6
Duparc	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Duranova (LA)	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
EG Resistus	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Egmont	Browntop bent	L7 G1
Enigma	Smooth-stalked meadow-grass	S2
Escapade	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1 G4
Esparina	Chewings fescue	L3 G2
Esquire	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Essence	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Essential	Tall fescue	S3 L8
Estelle	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1 G4
Eterlou	Perennial ryegrass	L1
Etienna	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Eurobeat	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
EuroCarina	Chewings fescue	L3 G2
EuroCordus	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Eurodiamond	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
EuroMarie	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3
Europitch	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Eurosport	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Eventus	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1 G4
Evora	Smooth-stalked meadow-grass	S2 L2
Fabian	Perennial ryegrass	S1s
Fandango	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Filius	Chewings fescue	L3 G2
Foxhound	Tall fescue	S3 L8
Gianna	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1 G4
Gildara	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1

Cultivar	Species	Tables
Gima	Chewings fescue	L3 G2
Gladys	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Grande II	Tall fescue	S3 L8
Granditte	Tall fescue	S3 L8
Greenheaven	Tall fescue	S3 L8
Greenmile	Chewings fescue	L3 G2
Greenplanet	Perennial ryegrass	S1
Greenplay	Smooth-stalked meadow-grass	S2 L2
Greensky	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Greensleeves	Chewings fescue	L3 G2
Greenway	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1 G4
Groundforce	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Gwynett	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Hardtop	Hard Fescue	L6 G5
Harmonie	Smooth-stalked meadow-grass	S2
Hastings	Strong creeping red fescue	L5 G5
Hayley	Perennial ryegrass	S1
Heidrun	Strong creeping red fescue	L5
Heriot	Browntop bent	L7
Heritage	Browntop bent	G1
Highland	Highland bent	L7
Highnote	Chewings fescue	L3 G2
Hiphop	Chewings fescue	L3
Humboldt	Chewings fescue	L3 G2
Isadora (LA)	Smooth-stalked meadow-grass	S2 L2
Jasperina	Strong creeping red fescue	L5
Jazzy	Strong creeping red fescue	L5
Joanna	Chewings fescue	L3 G2
Joker (LA)	Smooth-stalked meadow-grass	S2 L2
Jorvik	Browntop bent	L7 G1
Joshua (LA)	Strong creeping red fescue	L5
Jubilee EG	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Julius	Smooth-stalked meadow-grass	S2 L2
Kasinski	Slender creeping red fescue	G3
Kolossos	Strong creeping red fescue	L5
Lancelot (LA)	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Laverda	Strong creeping red fescue	L5
Limousine	Smooth-stalked meadow-grass	S2 L2
Lincolnshire	Smooth-stalked meadow-grass	S2 L2
Lionel (LA)	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Mackenzie	Creeping bent	G1
Magitte	Strong creeping red fescue	L5
Malibu	Perennial ryegrass	L1
Mandalay	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Manor	Browntop bent	L7 G1
Maracas (LA)	Strong creeping red fescue	L5
Markus	Smooth-stalked meadow-grass	S2 L2
Martinella	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Maryse (LA)	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3
Maxima 1	Strong creeping red fescue	L5
Meandre	Tall fescue	L8
Meara	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Melbourne	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Mellori	Strong creeping red fescue	L5

Cultivar	Species	Tables
Melyane	Tall fescue	S3 L8
Mentor	Hard Fescue	L6 G5
Mercitwo	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1 G4
Miracle	Smooth-stalked meadow-grass	S2 L2
Mirador	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3
Mission	Chewings fescue	L3 G2
Mistral	Perennial ryegrass	S1
Mocora	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Monroe	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1 G4
Morisot	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Musette	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3
Musica	Chewings fescue	L3 G2
Musket	Browntop bent	G1
Mystic	Strong creeping red fescue	L5
Nagano	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Neruda 1	Perennial ryegrass	L1
Nicole	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3
Nigella	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3
Nightclub (LA)	Chewings fescue	L3 G2
Nikky	Chewings fescue	L3 G2
Ola (LA)	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3
007 DSB	Creeping bent	L7 G1
Orionette	Chewings fescue	L3 G2
Pascal	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Passion	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Penelope	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Pinafore	Slender creeping red fescue	L4
Platinum	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Polka	Strong creeping red fescue	L5
Pollen	Perennial ryegrass	L1
Ponderosa	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
PowerPlay	Smooth-stalked meadow-grass	S2 L2
Proclamation	Creeping bent	G1
Promotor	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Quatro	Sheep's fescue	L6 G5
Quintet	Strong creeping red fescue	L5
Ramona	Chewings fescue	L3 G2
Record	Strong creeping red fescue	L5
Regenerate	Tall fescue	S3 L8
Reggae	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3
Relevant	Strong creeping red fescue	L5
RGT Klaxon	Perennial ryegrass	L1
RGT Nuance	Tall fescue	S3 L8
Rihanna	Smooth-stalked meadow-grass	L2
Riptide	Creeping bent	G1
Rossinante	Strong creeping red fescue	L5 G5
Runa	Strong creeping red fescue	L5 G5
Ryder	Strong creeping red fescue	L5
Sabrena 1	Rough stalked meadow-grass	M
Saila (LA)	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Samanta	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3
Sarolea	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3
Sefton	Browntop bent	L7 G1
Sergei	Strong creeping red fescue	L5

Cultivar	Species	Tables
Seroa	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3
Shazam	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Singapore	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1 G4
Sirtaky	Perennial ryegrass	L1
Siskin	Chewings fescue	L3 G2
Smirna	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3
Sombrero	Smooth-stalked meadow-grass	S2 L2
Starlett	Tall fescue	L8
Stravinsky	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Sword	Hard Fescue	L6
Tasida (LA)	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3
Teenie	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3
Tetradry	Perennial ryegrass	S1s
Tetragame	Perennial ryegrass	S1s
Tetragreen	Perennial ryegrass	S1s
Tetramagic	Perennial ryegrass	S1s
Tetrasport	Perennial ryegrass	S1s
Tetrastar	Perennial ryegrass	S1s
Tetris	Smooth-stalked meadow-grass	S2 L2
Torsion	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Tour Pro (GDE)	Creeping bent	G1
Traction	Smooth-stalked meadow-grass	S2
Trakaj	Tufted hair-grass	S4 L9
Transate	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Transpose	Perennial ryegrass	S1
Trophy	Chewings fescue	L3 G2
Turfgold	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Turfway	Tall fescue	S3 L8
Valdora	Slender creeping red fescue	L4
Venice	Perennial ryegrass	L1 G4
Vertech	Perennial ryegrass	S1
Vesuvius	Perennial ryegrass	S1 L1
Viktorka	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3
Vitellius	Perennial ryegrass	L1
Vivien	Slender creeping red fescue	L4 G3
Vulcanus	Perennial ryegrass	L1
Wagner 1	Chewings fescue	L3 G2
Xiamara	Smooth-stalked meadow-grass	S2 L2
Yvette	Smooth-stalked meadow-grass	S2 L2
Zeptor	Smooth-stalked meadow-grass	S2 L2
Zurich	Perennial ryegrass	S1

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## UK Agents

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