

SPRING & SUMMER

LAWNCARE TIPS & TRICKS

GRASS SEED USA

It's time to prep your lawn for the high-traffic demands of summer fun. These tips from turfgrass experts will make your lawn lush and resilient.

Water deeply and infrequently

Instead of watering a little every day, water more deeply twice a week to help the water infiltrate the root zone and then dry out a little to keep good oxygen in the soil system.

Soil moisture test

Insert a screwdriver into the lawn. If it goes in easily, the soil should be moist enough to support growth. If the ground is difficult to probe, watering is likely needed.

HOW TO CREATE A RESILIENT + LOW-WATER SUMMER LAWN

Irrigation estimation hack

Grab a small, straight-sided can (ex. tuna can). Turn on your sprinklers for 15 minutes. Measure the water depth and multiply that by four (to estimate one hour). This will determine how many hours in a week you need to irrigate.

Aim for 1 inch per week

Most grasses can do well and stay vigorous on about 1 inch of water (including rainfall) per week, and more drought-tolerant lawn species, such as tall fescue, need a little less.



PET PEEVES Dog Urine Spots

Dilution is the solution! Immediately hose water over the affected area to prevent burn spots or program your sprinklers for a quick afternoon watering in the areas that your dog frequents.

TIPS FOR A DURABLE SUMMER LAWN



Mow Early

Scalping an overgrown lawn will cause stress, don't wait.

Mow Tall

For most species, this means a mowing height of 3 inches.

Grasscycle

Leave your lawn clippings on your lawn. Save time and provide up to 25% of your lawn's fertilizer.

Fertilize Right

Feed your lawn twice per year. Use a slow-release nitrogen fertilizer in the spring.

Seed

For cool-season lawns, interseed for density and repair.

WEEDING-OUT COMMON LAWN MYTHS

Grass clippings cause thatch.

FALSE!

Leaving clippings on your lawn will not cause thatch. Clippings are mostly made up of water and will provide extra nutrients to the lawn as they break down.

Mower height is set and forget.

FALSE!

Different grass species thrive at different heights and optimal height can change depending on weather conditions. As a rule of thumb, never cut more than 1/3 of the blade height at a time, and mow at the tall end during hot, dry months.

Fertilizer is always the answer.

FALSE!

When your lawn starts to brown in the summer, don't throw more fertilizer on it. Fertilizing in the spring and summer favors shoot and leaf growth at the expense of root growth, which is key for creating a healthy, hardy lawn.

Crabgrass requires chemical treatment.

FALSE!

In spring, you can reduce the potential for crabgrass invasion simply by mowing cool-season lawns a bit higher.



INTERSEED FOR A DENSE, HEALTHY LAWN

Interseed regularly – in early spring and fall – to fill in weak or worn spots and help keep your lawn vigorous. For best results, follow these steps:

1 RAKE



2 AERIFY



3 INTERSEED

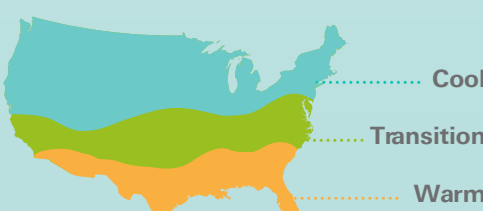


4 WATER



HOW TO SELECT GRASS SEED

1 Determine your growing region



2 Consider your planting conditions and choose seed



3 Read seed labels

ABC GRASS SEED COMPANY Sun & Shade Mixture			
Percent	Variety	Germ	Origin
34.73%	APPLE PERENNIAL RYEGRASS	90%	OR
33.78%	STELLAR PERENNIAL RYEGRASS	90%	OR
15.25%	ORBIT CREEPING RED FESCUE	85%	OR
15.15%	RADAR CHEWINGS FESCUE	85%	OR
0.10%	CROP		
0.99%	INERT		
0.00%	WEED		
NOXIOUS WEED SEED: NONE FOUND			

TESTED: JANUARY 2019
NET WT: 20 LBS (9.07 KG)
LOT #: 65-ABCCSC-4

Make sure the seed blend contains species that will thrive in your planting site conditions

Avoid products with any noxious weed seed, or products labeled as "Variety Not Stated"

Purchase certified seed tested in the last six months, use within 12 months of the date tested

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