



DAKOTA

TURF-TYPE TALL FESCUE

“Down right good grass!”



In this spaced plant nursery, Dakota produces very erect stove pipe seed heads. Seed yield is therefore improved because all of the seed heads are available to be swathed, while the upright growth habit and uniform leaf texture of Dakota is maintained.

- A Black Beauty Tall Fescue variety



- Developed using the new photo-chemical efficiency and antioxidant evaluation tests
- Produces a very attractive, uniform and dark-green turf
- Hard to distinguish from high quality Kentucky bluegrass

Dakota is an improved open-pollinated variety developed through five cycles of phenotypic recurrent selection for turf performance. Selection criteria were for dark green color, high tiller density, fine-leaf texture and disease resistance. Breeder seed of Dakota was first produced in 2003. Dakota has been tested in turf trials conducted near Verboort, OR; Lewisburg, PA (data collected in 2005); and Haymarket, VA (data collection ongoing) and is a recommended Black Beauty turf grass variety.

Variety	TURF QUALITY			COLOR			DENSITY			TEXTURE		
	Lewisburg PA	Verboort OR	location mean	Lewisburg PA	Verboort OR	location mean	Lewisburg PA	Verboort OR	location mean	Lewisburg PA	Verboort OR	location mean
Dakota	7.4	8.1	7.4	7.9	8.3	8.1	6.9	7.4	7.1	7.8	7.9	7.9
Plantation	6.1	6.5	6.1	7.2	6.5	6.8	6.4	6.6	6.5	7.2	7.2	7.2
Falcon II	5.6	5.3	5.6	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.0	5.8	5.4	5.8	5.9	5.9
Rebel II	4.7	6.2	4.7	4.7	4.4	4.5	6.1	5.4	5.7	3.8	4.5	4.1
Jaguar 3	5.0	5.7	5.0	5.7	5.2	5.5	5.6	6.1	5.9	5.4	5.4	5.4
Bonsai	4.4	5.3	4.4	5.0	6.3	5.7	6.1	6.1	6.1	5.8	6.0	5.9
Bonanza	4.2	5.4	4.2	4.2	4.7	4.5	5.1	5.4	5.2	4.5	4.7	4.6
K 31	1.1	1.7	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.2	2.2	1.7	1.2	1.2	1.2



The Dakota - “Black Beauty” - Tall Fescue, as shown measured against this 8 inch stake, has slow vertical growth.



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The Dakota - “Black Beauty” - Tall Fescue grows dense and uniform turf.