

## QUALITY GUARANTEE

Drummonds seed processing plant, located in Drogheda, is licenced by the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries & Food. All Green Acres grass seed mixtures are prepared using certified seed which guarantees purity and germination levels. Extensive supervision in both handling and processing ensures consistency and total quality in each and every bag.



### Terms & Conditions

In the event of a variety becoming unavailable Drummonds reserves the right to include the best alternative. The exact mixture will be detailed on the label.

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# Equestrian

## Grass Seed Mixtures



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**Green Acres equine mixtures are designed to overcome the problems associated with pastures grazed and utilised by horses.**

### **Maintaining Your Paddocks**

- Do not over graze or over stock paddocks - keep a minimum stocking rate of one horse per 1.5 acres.
- Rotate the confined area of grazing to maintain adequate grass cover. Use of electric fencing can subdivide pastures into smaller acreages. Good grassland management is also a critical element in parasite control for your horse.
- Graze younger stock separately from older horses.
- Keep paddocks clean of manure droppings as much as possible.
- Keep paddocks weed free as certain plants are highly toxic to equines eg. ragwort.
- Mixed grazing with cattle or sheep can help clean pastures due to their differing grazing habits.
- Topping can also help control worm populations in warm weather.
- Using fertiliser helps to keep paddocks in good condition, however grass must be grazed regularly to ensure that bursts of growth do not occur, as these can lead to conditions such as laminitis or colic.
- Always have a constant supply of clean fresh water from a safe, horse-friendly source.
- Ensure that fencing is secure and has no sharp protruding edges.

### **HELPFUL HINTS FOR SOWING GRASS SEED**

1. Best time to sow: Mid March to early June and August to mid September when the soil is both warm and damp.
2. Do a soil test every 5 years to estimate your fertiliser requirements.
3. Prepare the Site for sowing. Remove all weeds with glyphosate and clean the area of any large stones and rubble.  
 Check drainage for water logging and cultivate to a depth of 6 inches.
4. Grade and level the site.
5. Apply lime and a granular fertiliser according to your soil test results.
6. Calculate the quantity of seed required.
7. Sow the seed and follow by rolling to create a firm seed bed. Rolling is particularly important when conditions are dry.

### **Prescription Mixtures made to order.**

**If you wish to discuss the design of a customised equine mixture, please speak directly with our specialists in Drummonds Drogheda. Tel 041 983 8986**

### **HORSE PADDOCK MIX** - suitable for grazing and hay.

*Very palatable & dense hardwearing mix with high Timothy content for grazing and hay. The inclusion of fescue and meadow grass help to bind the sward together and quickly repair sod damage caused by hooves.*

#### **PACK SIZE : 14KG(1 acre pack)**

|     |  |
|-----|--|
| 40% | Late Diploid Perennial Ryegrass            |
| 20% | Intermediate Diploid Perennial Ryegrass    |
| 20% | Intermediate Tetraploid Perennial Ryegrass |
| 10% | Timothy                                    |
| 5%  | Strong Creeping Red Fescue                 |
| 5%  | Smooth Stalked Meadowgrass                 |

**LOW  
LAMINITIS  
RISK MIX**

### **HEALTHY HERB MIX** - horses equivalent of '5-a-day'.

*Contains a special blend of herbs including Yarrow, Burnet, Plantain, Chicory, and Sheeps Parsley.  
Pack size = 1kg.*

#### **Seeding Rate - 250gm to 500gm / acre.**

- Provides a source of minerals & trace elements (zinc, potassium, copper)
- Improves paddock drainage and soil structure.
- Available Separately for sowing in strips or can be included with our horse paddock mix above.

### **RESTORATOR** - ideal for repairing damaged paddocks.

*A mix for overseeding grass into open swards / damaged ground.*

#### **PACK SIZE : 10KG (Overseeding rate 5 - 7kg/acre)**

### **HORSE HAY / HAYLAGE MIX**

*A dedicated haylage mix that will produce excellent yields of highly palatable feed over 2 years. Varieties have been specially chosen for their suitability for producing quality haylage due to the innate resistance to mould causing diseases.*

#### **PACK SIZE = 1 acre / 14kg**

|     |                             |
|-----|-----------------------------|
| 30% | Tetraploid Italian Ryegrass |
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| 40% | Tetraploid Hybrid Ryegrass. |

### **RACECOURSE / GALLOPS MIX** - suitable for exercise areas.

*This attractive sward comprises of a blend of hardwearing dwarf perennial ryegrasses and fescues that are fast to establish and will recover quickly after heavy use. It is designed to produce a very dense, cushioned sward which could also be used for other heavy duty equestrian sports such as polo or showjumping.*

#### **Seeding rate = 100 - 140kgs per acre**

|     |  |
|-----|--|
| 60% | Dwarf Perennial Ryegrasses<br>(Equal blend of 3 varieties) |
| 20% | Slender Creeping Red Fescue                                |
| 20% | Smooth Stalked Meadowgrass                                 |