

Hay – Graze Dry

What is it?

A pasture mixture with a high inclusion of AC Grazeland designed for those areas with less than optimal rainfall, but yet productive fields that can produce a high nutrient pasture for use early in the spring and throughout the summer if moisture conditions are favorable. Can be harvested as hay.

Why grow it?

Features	Benefits
Early season growth	➔ Excellent choice as a calving or pasture where cow/calf pairs can be put on early in the Spring to maintain weights in the cows and prevent disease in the calves
Medium to long rotation mix	➔ Species in this mixture can maintain production on a constant basis for 5 to 8 years
Rapid regrowth	➔ AC Grazeland and Fleet Meadow Bromegrass can provide season long growth, and the Crested Wheatgrass will complement the pasture with growth in Cooler parts of the season such Spring and Early Fall
Makes excellent quality hay	➔ Will consistently provide an early hay crop that can be harvested mid to late June for best quality results
Early spring pressure	➔ Withstands heavy spring grazing, which may be necessary to prevent Crested Wheatgrass from heading out and becoming less palatable
Best suited	➔ Best suited to the Brown and Dark Brown soil zones of the Prairies

How to grow it...

Seeding Information	Adaptations	Management
16 lbs/acre	Well drained soils preferred	Stand would consist of approximately 50% Alfalfa, 20% Crested Wheatgrass and 30% Fleet Meadow Bromegrass
Seed ½ inch deep	Low to moderate tolerance to salinity, medium to high tolerance to alkalinity, low flooding and acidic tolerance, and moderate to high drought tolerance	Best results when rotationally grazed
Seed bed should be firm; packing may be required before seeding to avoid crusting	Excellent winter hardiness	Soil test prior to seeding and fertilize accordingly for nitrogen, phosphate, potash and sulfur. Monitor fertility on a annually or bi-annually basis