

PRODUCT FEATURES:

- Grazing Type Kentucky Bluegrass
- Wide leafed- highly productive
- Provides a thick dense sward to help suppress weeds
- Very productive, palatable
- Strong long-term persistence
- Stands up to animal traffic extremely well
- Seeding Rate: 7 - 8 kg per acre straight seeding, Lato mixtures at 9 - 10 kg /acre
- Seeding Timing: Plant either early spring or August for best establishment, treated with good fertility and rotationally grazed prior to 10” sward heights

Lato Kentucky Bluegrass

Lato Kentucky bluegrass was tested and recommended in Atlantic Canada and is a true grazing type Kentucky bluegrass.

Lato Kentucky bluegrass is available in the following mixtures:

- PS 301
- PS 305 (Pastovini)
- PS WG

Native bluegrasses have always been a contributor to pasture productivity, but tend to go dormant under dry conditions. In Sean Firth’s extensive pasture study from 1998 – 2000 in Western N.S., he reported that bluegrasses were present in the highest amounts. Botanical separations done on the 12 farms studied showed the following percentages: bluegrass (30%) fescues (17%) weeds (11%) perennial ryegrass (9%) clovers (6%) and miscellaneous grasses and dead material (27%).

To help find the best mixture and highest yielding varieties, AZAR researchers initiated a 3-year study with four on-farm locations. The AZAR study looked at the grazing yield performance of four different bluegrasses seeded as a pure variety or in 2-way mixture with white clover, timothy, or meadow fescue. The second production year showed that the pure seeding of each bluegrass variety has out-yielded any of the 2-way mixtures, to date. These pure bluegrass seedings tend to be thicker providing less opportunity for dandelions and other weeds to sneak in.

Lato can be seeded straight or in a pasture mixture such as PS301, PS 305 or PS WG.

FORAGE YIELD OF LATO KENTUCKY BLUEGRASS - AZAR (NOVA SCOTIA) STUDY OF BLUEGRASS VARIETIES IN PURE STANDS OR 2-WAY MIXES

	BLUEGRASS ONLY (T/ha)	WHITE CLOVER & BLUEGRASS (T/ha)	MEADOW FESCUE & BLUEGRASS (T/ha)	TIMOTHY & BLUEGRASS (T/ha)
Huntsville	12.6	9.3	10.4	10.3
Slezanka	12.6	9.4	10.4	11.4
Lato	13.8	10.1	13.1	10.9
Knut	12.8	9.0	11.4	10.1