Forage Tech Sheet

Malabar Wheat

A new mid-season, awnless wheat, with consistent yields and excellent disease resistance. Moderate resistance to Fusarium Head Blight. Slightly shorter stature than other wheats; good standability.

Wheat often does not get as leafy or tiller as much as barley or triticale, but the quality, digestibility, and effective fiber are quite high.

Soil Adaptation

Wet – Difficult because wet areas may exacerbate winterkill problems and interfere with harvesting. The crop itself is fairly tolerant, however.

Drought – Fair. Productive during fall and spring, which tends to reduce drought risk.

pH Range -6.0 and above

Cutting Management

Later harvest than rye or triticale. Cut at flag leaf stage before head has emerged. Can be grazed once plants reach 6-12 inches.



At A Glance

- Soft red winter wheat
- Awnless
- Good standability
- Excellent disease resistance

Best Uses

Grazing, haylage, baleage,

Establishment

Planting Dates: Plant by mid-October throughout most of Pennsylvania. Plant 2-3 weeks ahead of schedule if planning for a fall grazing, but keep in mind this may increase disease pressure.

Seeding Rate: 100-150 lbs/A Seeding Depth: 1" - 1 1/2"



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