North Star

Seeding Rate: 18-25lb/A
85% KingFisher Alfalfas
8% Meadowfescue
7% Fojtan festulolium

This mixture contains strong alfalfa varieties with modest amounts of later maturing grass added for improved nutrition. It’s designed primarily for central PA and north where grasses will provide consistent yield and quality for several years.

Soil Adaptation:
Based on soils that are good for alfalfa
Wet—alfalfa does not tolerate wet soils
Drought—Very good for alfalfa and meadow fescue. Festulolium does not tolerate drought as well.
pH range: Alfalfa prefers 6.5 and higher.

Cutting Management:
Cut leaving a 3–4 in” stubble height when alfalfa is in early bloom.

Stand life:
With good management and proper soils, alfalfa should last a minimum of 3 years. For a longer stand life, delay fall harvest to full flower, which replenishes alfalfa root energy reserves. Festulolium and meadow fescue will also persist at least 3 years.

Traffic Tolerance:
Good. Alfalfas include Traffic Pro, a productive traffic tolerant KingFisher alfalfa with a deep-set crown. Meadow fescue and festulolium are also considered quite traffic tolerant.

Note: At this time, this mix is only available as CT and is not permitted to be used on organic or transitioning farms.

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At A Glance

Uses:
Dry Hay: Excellent
Haylage/Balage: Excellent
Intensive Grazing: Fair
Continuous Grazing: Poor

Establishment:
Seeding Rate: 18-25 lb/acre.
Depth: 1/8-3/8 inch
Speed: Medium. Alfalfa will emerge quickly.