

PAC 8288

Cultivar characteristics



BOTANICAL NAME		<i>Sorghum bicolor</i>
TYPE		• Sub-tropical, Sudan grass x Sudan grass
PRODUCTION PERIOD		• Annual, Summer
MORPHOLOGICAL DESCRIPTION		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vigorous growth, erect, medium stems, 2.5 – 3 m tall • Leaf blade is long; serrated margins; prominent midrib; smooth and covered with a waxy coating; 2.5 – 4.0 cm wide • Oval to round seeds; white, yellow, red or brown; 30 000 – 50 000 seeds/kg
CROP	Strengths:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent re-growth potential, highly productive • Excellent leaf to stem ratio • Low prussic acid levels
	Feeding value:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crude protein: 12 – 18% • Digestibility: 56 – 64 %
	Production potential:	• Dry matter production: 5 – 15 t/ha/annum
	Uses:	• Grazing & green chop
	Soil requirements:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Widely adapted to most soil types, prefers heavy soils • pH range of 5.5 – 7.5
	Establishment:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plant during October – January • Seeding rate of 5 – 10 kg/ha dryland and 12.5 – 25 kg/ha irrigated

*Variety submitted for registration (where indicated). The photo in this document only indicates the kind and not the specific variety. Technical variety information provided in this document is applicable to climatic conditions in RSA. For final cultivar recommendations in your area contact your area representative.

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