

Sugargraze

Cultivar characteristics



BOTANICAL NAME		<i>Sorghum bicolor</i>
TYPE		• Sub-tropical, Sweet Sorghum x Sweet Sorghum
PRODUCTION PERIOD		• Annual, Summer
MORPHOLOGICAL DESCRIPTION		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vigorous growth, erect, 2 – 3.5 m tall • Thick stems • 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; 25 000 – 35 000 seeds/kg
CROP	Strengths:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent stand-over forage in winter • Palatable, high sugar content • Excellent silage crop
	Feeding value:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crude protein: 12 – 18 % • Digestibility: 56 – 64 %
	Production potential:	• Dry matter production: 5 – 20 t/ha/annum
	Uses:	• Silage, winter stand-over & can be grazed
	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 • Plant on fine, well prepared seed bed with sufficient subsoil moisture • Seeding rate of 5 – 10 kg/ha dryland and 8 – 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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