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Cultivar characteristics



BOTANICAL NAME		<i>Secale cereale</i>
TYPE		• Temperate, Cereal grain
PRODUCTION PERIOD		• Spring & winter, Annual
MORPHOLOGICAL DESCRIPTION		• Tall, hardy, tufted grass, 1.2 – 1.8 m tall • Oblong shaped seeds; light brown; 0.8 cm long; 30 000 – 45 000 seeds/kg
CROP	Strengths:	• Quick short-duration rye • More volume; more production than oats
	Feeding value:	• Crude protein: 6 – 22 % • Digestibility: 53 – 63 %
	Production potential:	• Dry matter production: 5 – 10 t/ha/annum
	Uses:	• Grazing, hay, silage, grain production & rotational crop
	Soil requirements:	• Widely adapted to most soil types, prefers well-drained loamy soils • pH range of 4.5 – 8.0
	Establishment:	• Plant during February - may and August • Seeding rate of 25 – 50 kg/ha dryland and 50 – 75 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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