

MAKING LOW RAINFALL PASTURES PROFITABLE

Grasslands

Flecha

Tall Fescue

- Excellent persistence
- Reliable drought tolerance
- High autumn, winter and spring growth
- Palatable leaf for excellent animal performance
- High insect resistance

To find out how Flecha can maximise production on your farm,

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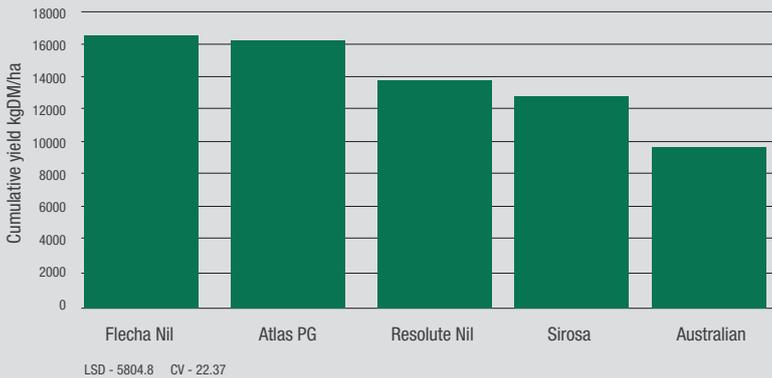
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2009-2012 Dunedoo Mediterranean Fescue Yield Trial, Central NSW



Grazing Management

To allow **Flecha** to fully establish, it is essential to manage grazing during the establishment period. Plants should be allowed to reach 15cm in height and be firmly anchored prior to grazing. This will ensure plants have developed a strong root system and have enough stored energy for future requirements.

In the first year **Flecha** should be maintained at 5-15cm. Ideally rotational grazing should be used to maintain the pasture at the recommended height. Allowing a grazing residual of 5cm will maximise grass quality and encourage development of strong crowns and persistent plants.

During the summer months when the tall fescue becomes dormant, any dry herbage if present, can be rotationally grazed and the plants then left to recover in the autumn. Conservative grazing management during autumn and early winter is very important to the tall fescues production and persistence. During this period the plant will send energy down into its root structure, storing it for future use. Do not graze plants below 5cm.

Flecha tall fescue is a highly winter-active Mediterranean-type fescue. It is extremely drought tolerant and persistent.

Flecha becomes dormant during hot, dry summers, but recovers quickly in autumn, winter and spring. For these reasons it is ideally suited to regions with consistently dry and hot summers, where persistent pastures are required.

Flecha is a viable alternative to phalaris, lucerne or cocksfoot and will complement these species on the same farm. Planting an area of your farm in **Flecha** will enhance your ability to feed animals in winter and late-spring and avoid the animal health and toxicity problems associated with too much phalaris or Lucerne on a farm.



Heading date	Endophyte	Sowing rate	Leaf size	Best grazing practice
Mid	Nil	12-20 kg/ha with clovers and herbs	Fine - medium	Rotational grazing

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