

Variety Description

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AUBADE

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| Species | Annual ryegrass |
| Botanical name | Lolium multiflorum ssp. westerwoldicum |
| Ploidy | 4 |
| Seeding rate | 40–45 kg/ha |
| Distance between rows | as cereals |
| Sowing period | until late August |
| Sowing depth | 1–2 cm |

Agronomic figures*:

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| Heading | 5 |
| Catch crop: Mass formation after sowing | 6 |
| Catch crop: Tendency to lodging | 5 |
| Catch crop: Susceptibility to rust | 6 |
| Catch crop: Susceptibility to mildew | - |
| Catch crop: DM-yield first cut | 5 |
| Main crop: Mass formation after sowing | 5 |
| Main crop: DM-yield total | 4 |
| Main crop: DM-yield first cut | 6 |
| Main crop: DM-yield in aftermath | - |



Clarification of figures*:

1: very early, very low / 5: medium / 9: very late, very high

* **Source:** Cultivator classification

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AUBADE grows extremely rapidly and matures early, because of which it provides high-quality, tasty feed just 6 to 8 weeks after sowing. AUBADE is suitable for annual arable feed crop production, grown either as pure stand or in mixtures with Persian clover or other comparable clover varieties. It is also very important for green manuring purposes, especially in areas where sugar beet is grown, because of its deep root penetration in the topsoil and its tolerance of crop rotation.

Most important characteristics

Rapid establishment of plant stand and early maturing
Harvestable after 6 to 8 weeks
Can be cultivated as catch crop and main crop
Low susceptibility to lodging

Usage

Annual ryegrass belongs to the family of short-lived ryegrass, because it puts forth shoots in the year of sowing. Annual ryegrass is bred for three purposes: 1. Catch crop cultivation; 2. Annual cultivation for multiple cropping, sometimes also in combination with Italian ryegrass; 3. As 'nurse grass' during new planting of permanent grassland for quick ground cover.

