

Variety Description

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INIA MERLIN

Botanical name	Festulolium
Ploidy	4
Seeding rate	25-30 kg/ha
Distance between rows	as cereals
Sowing period	April to August
Sowing depth	1-2 cm

Agronomic figures*:

Heading	4
Development after sowing	5
Tendency to winterkilling	4
Tendency to lodging	3
Susceptibility to rust	5
Sward density	6
DM-yield total	5
DM-yield first cut	6
DM-yield in aftermath	5

Clarification of figures*:

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



* **Source:** Cultivator classification

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The festulolium INIA MERLIN belongs to the early to mid-season maturity group. It is popular for its high yields during the entire year. High mass formation after sowing and good yield rating in the first cut ensure that the plant establishes well and also help to suppress weeds. Other advantages of INIA MERLIN include high stability and sward density.

Most important characteristics

Even yield distribution
High overall yield
High stability
Good winter-hardiness

Usage

Festulolium is known as an intergeneric hybrid of Festuca and Lolium. The objective of the hybridisation was to combine the advantages of both species. The focus was on properties like persistence, winter-hardiness and yield.

