

Variety Description

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ALOPEX

Species	Meadow foxtail
Botanical name	<i>Alopecurus pratensis</i>
Ploidy	2
Seeding rate	25 kg/ha
Distance between rows	as cereals
Sowing period	until late August
Sowing depth	1–2 cm

Agronomic figures*:

Heading	5
Development after sowing	7
Tendency to winterkilling	5
Tendency to lodging	-
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:** Bundessortenamt [Federal Plant Variety Office] 2018, state variety tests

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ALOPEX is a high-yielding diploid meadow foxtail variety with medium-late heading. ALOPEX is characterised by high mass formation after sowing as well as good winter-hardiness. In addition, ALOPEX produces good dry matter yields, where the first cut yields are particularly good.

Most important characteristics

Good mass formation after sowing
High dry matter yields throughout the year

Usage

Meadow foxtail generally grows on humid, nutrient-rich meadows and is characterised by very early flowering. The slow development ensures that full productivity is achieved only in the second year. With a feed value of 7, meadow foxtail is a high-grade variety and, together with early cutting, a particularly persistent one as well. With intensive fertilisation, it is possible to crop it four times and achieve high yields. In addition, meadow foxtail can also endure prolonged cold spells and snow cover very well.

