

# Variety Description

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## WINNER

Species	Egyptian clover
Botanical name	Trifolium alexandrinum
Ploidy	2
Seeding rate	30–35 kg/ha
Distance between rows	as cereals
Sowing period	Spring to summer
Sowing depth	1–2 cm

### Agronomic figures\*:

Beginning of flowering	9
Growth height/Early development	4
Stalk height/Full development	7
Development after sowing	4
Tendency to lodging	5
DM-yield first cut	5
Crude protein content	6



### Clarification of figures\*:

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

\* **Source:** Bundessortenamt [Federal Plant Variety Office] 2016, state variety tests

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The annual Egyptian clover WINNER produces high-quality, protein-rich staple feed. The variety impresses with its even and strong growth. When grown as a catch crop, it can yield 3-4 t/ha of dry matter. As a multi-cutting variety, WINNER is particularly suitable for growing in mixtures with short-lived ryegrasses such as AUBADE and LEMNOS. WINNER's roots penetrate the soil evenly, and it has a deep taproot which opens up the soil very well. WINNER is winterkilled. This characteristics makes this variety an excellent green manure plant.

### Most important characteristics

Late-flowering  
Very high-yielding  
High yield potential in the first cut

### Usage

Egyptian clover is a quick-growing annual clover that is killed even in little frost. It requires sufficient warmth and humidity during its development phase to achieve high yields. Egyptian clover can be grown as pure stand or in a mixture with Italian and annual ryegrass, and is therefore extremely suitable for mixtures grown after early-clearing crops. The highest energy and digestibility is achieved at the start of flowering.

