

Variety Description

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VERKO

Species	Lucerne (alfalfa)
Botanical name	Medicago sativa
Ploidy	2
Seeding rate	25–30 kg/ha
Distance between rows	as cereals
Sowing period	March to August
Sowing depth	1–2 cm

Agronomic figures*:

Development after sowing	5
Tendency to winterkilling	5
DM-yield total	5
DM-yield first cut	6
DM-yield in aftermath	5
Crude protein content	6
Beginning of flowering	4
Susceptibility to wilt	-
Tendency to lodging	5
Dormancy	4

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 leafy lucerne (alfalfa) VERKO is a thin-stemmed variety, which is popular thanks to its high protein content, prolific growth in spring and outstanding regrowth performance – this makes it possible to yield 3–4 crops. It is suitable for use as fresh feed, for the production of dried green feed and for silaging in an alfalfa/grass mixture.

Most important characteristics

Leafy
High-yielding
Even yield distribution
Thin stem
Extremely winter-hardy
High protein content

Usage

Also available as coated seed [**Mantelsaat®**]

Suitable inoculant with appropriate rhizobia for seed inoculation:
RhizoFix® RF-50

