

Variety Description

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MERULA

Species	Red clover
Botanical name	Trifolium pratense
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	6
Tendency to winterkilling	4
DM-yield total	5
DM-yield first cut	4
DM-yield in aftermath	6
Total DM-yield in second main production year	6
Shortage after second winter	5
Persistence	7
Crude protein content	4
Beginning of flowering	2
Susceptibility to sclerotinia trifoliorum (clover rot)	5
Susceptibility to southern anthracnose (stem canker)	3
Susceptibility to mildew	4
Tendency to lodging	7



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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MERULA is a diploid variety of the Mattenkee type red clover. MERULA is a very healthy and persistent variety. In addition, it is highly resistant to red clover anthracnose and not prone to sclerotinia trifoliorum (clover rot). An even yield distribution and high yield volume in the second production year make MERULA an important ingredient in many feed mixtures.

Most important characteristics

High yields
Extremely low susceptibility to clover rot and mildew
Very high persistence
High protein content
Very high persistence

Usage

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

Suitable inoculant with appropriate rhizobia for seed inoculation:
RhizoFix® RF-40

