

Variety Description

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KALLE

Species	Chewing's fescue
Botanical name	Festuca rubra commutata
Seeding rate	25 g/m ²
Distance between rows	broadcast seeding
Sowing period	March to September
Sowing depth	superficial

Agronomic figures:

Ornamental lawns	7*
Recreational lawns (RL)	8*
Hard-wearing lawns	(-)*
Landscape lawns	7*
RL sward colour	5**
RL leaf fineness	8**
RL sward density (SD)	8**
RL SD within the variety	8**
RL winter appearance	7**
RL vegetation appearance	8**
Suitability for short-cut lawns	5**



Clarification of figures:

* 3: somewhat suited / 6: suited to well-suited / 9: very well-suited

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

Sources:

* Forschungsgesellschaft Landschaftsentwicklung Landschaftsbau e.V. [research society for landscape development and landscaping], RSM Rasen [German standard seed mixtures for lawns] 2021

** Bundessortenamt [Federal Office of Plant Varieties] 2021, descriptive list of lawn grass varieties

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A Chewing's fescue variety, KALLE has a high sward density and fine leaves, offering excellent suitability for recreational lawns and good suitability for ornamental lawns. While it can also be used in mixtures for short-cut lawns and landscape lawns, KALLE's grades in these areas are one to two levels lower than for recreational or ornamental lawns. Its noteworthy characteristics include high resistance against rot and very good weed suppression, allowing it to establish itself reliably.

Most important characteristics

Highly suitable for recreational and ornamental lawns thanks to fine leaves and sward density
Low vulnerability to rot
High weed suppression

Usage

Chewing's fescue is the most highly rated red fescue subspecies for lawn use, with more varieties approved in Germany than creeping red fescue or slender creeping red fescue. Chewing's fescue does not grow stolons and forms a remarkably thick and fine sward. Its tolerance of drought, close cutting and salt, however, is somewhat lower than that of slender creeping red fescue.

