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LIMORY

Species	Lucerne (alfalfa)
Botanical name	<i>Medicago × varia</i>
Seeding rate	25-30 kg/ha
Distance between rows	similar to cereals
Sowing period	March to May
Sowing depth	1-2 cm

Agronomic figures*:

Development after sowing	5
Tendency to winterkilling	3
DM-yield total	5
DM-yield first cut	6
DM-yield in aftermath	5
Crude protein content	5
Beginning of flowering	5
Susceptibility to anthracnose	4
Tendency to lodging	4
Dormancy	3



Clarification of figures*:

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

* **Source:** Cultivator classification

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LIMORY is a new variety of the species *Medicago × varia* (hybrid alfalfa) which boasts impressive winter-hardiness and drought tolerance. LIMORY is a leafy variety with relatively thin stems. The variety also exhibits a high leaf-to-stem ratio, an important aspect of its appeal as a fodder plant. Additional benefits of the variety include good stability and high disease resistance, especially against anthracnose.

Most important characteristics

Good overall yields
Very high winter-hardiness
Low susceptibility to diseases, especially anthracnose
High stability
Blue flowers

Usage

Hybrid alfalfa (*Medicago × varia*) is the result of a cross between alfalfa (*Medicago sativa*) and sickle alfalfa (*Medicago falcata*). Hybrid alfalfa thrives on sites with a continental or semi-continental climate. The hybrid's strengths are particularly apparent on more marginal sites. As a result, hybrid alfalfa is a very good candidate for extensive use and can generally be grown with the expectation of three cuts per growing season.

