Variety Description

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Species
Botanical name

Ploidy

Seeding rate

Distance between rows

Sowing period

Sowing depth

VELOX

Meadow foxtail
Alopecurus pratensis

2

25 kg/ha

Similar to cereals

before late August

1-2 cm



Agronomic figures*:

Heading	4	
Development after sowing	7	
Tendency to winterkilling	2	
Persistence	7	
Susceptibility to leaf diseases	3	
Competitive ability	7	
DM-yield total	6	
DM-yield first cut	7	
DM-yield later cuts	6	
Digestibility	6	





Clarification of figures*:

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

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VELOX is a new variety that was only recently developed in Switzerland; it is still being tested in Germany. It is one of the highest-performing meadow foxtail varieties with early to mid-season heading. Its early mass formation and yield levels, especially in the first cut, are both extremely high. VELOX is a very persistent and competitive variety, which also boasts good winter-hardiness and a high health rating.

Most important characteristics

Very high mass formation after sowing High dry matter yields, especially in the first cut

Usage

Meadow foxtail generally grows on humid, nutrient-rich meadows and is characterised by very early flowering. Its slow early development means that it only shows its full yield potential in its second year of growth. With a value of 7, its quality is very high. Meadow foxtail is quite persistent, especially when cut early in the season. High yields and four cuts per season can be achieved under intensive fertiliser application. It also deals well with persistent cold periods and snow cover.

^{*} Source: List of recommended Swiss fodder plants 2024, Cultivator rating