

# BERMUDA GRASS

*Cynodon dactylon*

## DESCRIPTION

Bermudagrass is a warm-season, sod-forming perennial that spreads by stolons, rhizomes, and seed. Bermudagrass has a fibrous root system with vigorous, deep rhizomes. This is a major turf species for sports fields, lawns, parks, golf courses, and general utility turfs in the warm-season regions. Bermudagrass has very good drought tolerance, traffic tolerance, and can handle poor water quality compared to other turfgrasses. It is a low maintenance turf grass and it grows well in poor soils across the warm-season zones.

## APPLICATION

- Lawns, parks, roadsides, and municipal sports turf
- forage, reclamation, and erosion control uses

## GEOGRAPHICAL ADAPTATION

Warm-season zone

## GROWTH HABIT

Spreads by stolons, rhizomes, seed

## SEEDS PER POUND (APPROXIMATE)

1,600,000 – 2,000,000

## FEATURES & BENEFITS

- Low maintenance turf
- Excellent drought tolerance
- Adaptable to many turf uses

## RATE\*

- Hulled Bermudagrass: 0.5 – 1 lbs./1,000 ft<sup>2</sup>.  
mechanically conditioned seeds to hasten germination, seed in spring/early summer for proper establishment, cold hardiness in colder regions
  - Un-hulled Bermudagrass: 1 – 2 lbs./1,000 ft<sup>2</sup>.  
seed takes longer to establish than hulled seed, can be seeded during dormant season and for erosion control – increase rate up to 4-8
  - Coated Bermudagrass: 1 – 10 lbs./1,000 ft<sup>2</sup>.  
seed is normally 50% coating by weight and may be hulled, un-hulled, or a combination of both, increase seeding rate for erosion control
- \*local conditions vary and dictate rates



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