



Sorghum

FORTÍN FORAGE SORGHUM

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Description

Fortín is a high quality Sorghum/Sudangrass hybrid that is excellent for the production of hay, green chop and pastures for grazing.

CHARACTERISTIC	VALUE
High in maturity	270 cm
Days emergente -50% flower	80
Lodging behavior	Resistant
Head density	Lax
Tillering	Strong
MDMV resistance (Maize Dwarf Mosaic Virus)	Good
Stem palatability and digestibility	Very good
Tannins in grain	High*

*More than 0.6, tannic acid equivalent, Folin-Denis Method, is considered high tannin grain content.

Recommended use

FOR GRAZING

- Because of the thin stalks and the improved palatability cattle exhibit a higher preference for Fortín over other Sorghum/Sudangrass in free choice grazing situations.
- Fortín pastures require timely management to minimize overgrazing.
- For grazing Fortín may be planted in rows, but is best to be planted with a grain drill at 16 to 20 kg/ha.
- With a good management of the crop you can achieve 4 or 5 cuts

FOR HAY AND GREEN CHOP

- The thin stalk and palatability of Fortín produces a higher quality hay and green chop than other hybrids.
- Fortín can be harvested (cut) a number of times during the growing season. Fortín may be cut 2 to 5 times in a season depending on the availability of water and other growing conditions.
- For highest yields over the full growing season and best nutrient quality, Fortín should be cut each time the plants are 91 to 106 cm in height, about waste to chest high on an average man. It is most important to cut before the plants start to head. To promote rapid plant re-growth, the plants should be cut leaving stubble (plant height after the cut) at 15 to 25 cm. The correct plant height after the cut is very important.
- For production of hay and green chop Fortín may be planted in rows, but is best to be planted with a grain drill at 16 to 20 kg/ha.

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