



# **BONUS** FORAGE TEFF GRASS

- EXCELLENT FORAGE QUALITY
- FAST GROWING
- HIGH YIELDING
- EXCELLENT ROOT STRUCTURE FOR DROUGHT TOLERANCE
- FOLIRA DISEASE RESISTANCE
- EXCELLENT FOR HAY

## **BONUS TEFF FOR BONUS SUMMER FORAGE**

**BONUS** is a fine stemmed, warm-season, annual grass that produces multiple crops of high quality forage. **BONUS** is one of the best performing teff grasses across various university trials and can produce high quality forage in a short growing season. **BONUS** can be used for all classes of livestock and produces excellent hay.



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### APPLICATION

Bonus has broad adaptation and can be used for all classes of livestock, including horses, dairy, beef, and sheep. Use Bonus for hay production, pasture and as an emergency forage crop. Bonus may also be seeded into thinning alfalfa stands.

#### MANAGEMENT

A soil test is highly recommended as teff needs adequate phosphorous, potassium and sulfur for optimum growth. Appling 50 pounds of nitrogen per acre at planting will be sufficient for good forage production. Additional amounts of nitrogen may be needed after each cutting. For optimum forage quality, teff should be harvested in the pre-boot to early boot stage, approximately 50 days after planting at a cutting height of 3 to 4 inches. Harvest regrowth in 35 to 45 days depending on environmental conditions. Attaining a soil samples and following soil test recommendations is a good way to ensure high quality forage.



#### **SEEDING RATES**

As with all teff grass Bonus requires a frost-free growing season. Avoid sowing seeds too deep and too far apart. Ideal depth for most forage seeds is 1/8-1/4 inches. Planting seeds deeper than <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> inch may not allow them to establish. Sufficient seed-to-soil contact is extremely vital. Rolling or packing the soil after seeding can ensure this. If no-tilling, the right seeding depth is 1/4 inches deep. Bonus can be broadcast seeded followed by harrowing or packing.

New seeding: 8-12 (coated) lbs. or 4-6 (raw) lbs. /ac

Into existing alfalfa: 4-5lbs. /ac

TRIAL DATA			
Dry Matter Yields of Teffgrass, Starkville, Mississippi, 2011			
VARIETY	PLANTING 1	PLANTING 2	Total Yield
Bonus	3,268	3,391	6,659
CW604	3,186	3,328	6,514
Dessie	3,127	2,962	6,089
Tiffany	3,067	3,162	6,229
LSD (0.05)	646	642	

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