# YELLOW JACKET COATED TEFF

Teff is a self-pollinated, warm season annual grass which can be harvested multiple times during the growing season as dry hay, silage or pasture. As a fast-growing crop, Teff combines excellent forage quality with high yield during a relatively short growing season. Over the last 10 years Teff has gained momentum as a forage crop and several new, improved types have been developed and commercialized. Moxie Teff combines the best genetics with Barenbrug's Yellow Jacket Enhanced Seed Coating.

## Teff Grass with an Attitude

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- Fast Growing
- ▶ High Yield with High Quality
- Summer Production
- Drought Tolerance
- Wide Adaptation
- Low Nutrient Requirements





#### ESTABLISHMENT AND MANAGEMENT

Teff is a warm season annual grass that requires a frost free growing season. Soil temperatures should be at least 65 degrees F and warming. The recommended seeding rate for coated Teff is 8-10 lbs per acre. Seeding depth should be 1/8 to 1/4 inch deep into a very firm seed bed and good seed to soil contact is important. When planted at the right depth and temperatures, Teff usually emerges in 4 to 5 days.





## **SEED BED PREPARATION**

Proper seed bed preparation can't be stressed enough when it comes to planting any Teff, including Moxie.

Dr. Bruce Anderson (University of Nebraska) illustrates this point to his Teff growers by saying that the seed bed must be firm enough to bounce a basketball on it. Other researchers compare the proper seed bed to that needed to plant alfalfa. Another method of gauging the correct firmness is if you can walk across the field without sinking below the soles of your shoes. Seed bed firmness is especially important if grain drills are used to plant the Teff. Brillion planters are useful in conditioning the fields and are the preferred planter for Teff.

#### Proper seed bed preparation



Improper seed bed preparation



Planting Teff in a firm seed bed helps in properseed placement and reduces the chance of burying the seed too deeply with loose soil. It also provides good seed to soil contact allowing for better soil moisture movement to the seed. Teff plantings in loose seed beds can often be identified by quicker seedling emergence in the wheel tracks of the planter, than in the rest of the field.

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# YELLOW JACKET ENHANCED SEED COATING

## Why Yellow Jacket Seed Coating?

- Improve establishment under adverse conditions
- Increase fungicide and pesticide effectiveness
- Environmentally friendly and biodegradable
- Better seed flow when planting
- Better use of available water
- Increased yield

**Yellow Jacket** is Barenbrug's proprietary seed coating. Yellow Jacket utilizes superabsorbent technology to produce a coating that can hold up to 600x its own weight in water.

**Extensive research** at the University of New Mexico, Ohio State University and Texas A&M Agrilife all show that Yellow Jacket seed coating will benefit your forage production when

otherwise adverse conditions could leave you high and dry.

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