



Key Points

- **Dark green colour**
- **Medium leaf texture**
- **Superior summer performance and stress tolerance**
- **Bred with endophyte**

Characteristics and areas of use

Mustang 4 is a tough, persistent turf type tall fescue which is well adapted to hot summers. It performs well in shady situations, reduced fertility and higher salt conditions. Mustang 4 has an outstanding dark green colour, a medium leaf texture and has superior summer performance and stress tolerance. It is a semi-dwarf type with a medium growth rate. It can withstand mowing heights as low as 20 mm but 30-90 mm is a recommended mowing height. In the 2006 seeded NTEP trials, Mustang 4 demonstrated a broad overall disease resistance. It displayed an excellent resistance to brown patch and very good resistances to leaf spot and net blotch. Mustang 4 can be used in a variety of situations such as sports fields, parks, home lawns and golf course roughs.

Breeding history

Mustang 4 has been developed by the breeders at Pickseed in cooperation with Rutgers University in the U.S.A.

It is a variety that has been bred from tillers taken from elite selections of turf type tall fescue tracing from Mustang 3 that demonstrated superior performance, disease resistance and turf quality compared to other tall fescue varieties.

Sowing rate

Recommended sowing times of Mustang 4 are either mid spring or early autumn at a rate of 25-45 g/m² or 250-450 kg/ha. Under ideal growing conditions seedlings will emerge in 8-12 days after planting and the first mowing can be expected within 4-5 weeks.

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