

KENTUCKY BLUEGRASS CLASSIFICATION

These charts are for general observation only. Individual performance of varieties within each classification may vary widely and require comparative regional test results to determine the best performing variety.

LOOK FOR THE AFFILIATED ICONS REGARDING THESE VALUE-ADDED TRAIT PACKAGES:



The **Alliance for Low Input Sustainable Turf** is a non-profit university and industry cooperative that serves to test, identify and promote varieties to consumers that maintain acceptable turf quality while requiring reduced water, chemical and fertility inputs.



DLF's **Competition Grade Turf Seed** delivers performance-tested genetics provides higher shear strength and increases player safety, responds better to wear and provides a more robust playing surface, Resist major diseases and lower maintenance budgets, Increase aesthetics through improved genetic color, Express spreading growth habit for damage recovery, and include options for actively growing under lower light for stadiums, as well as earlier and later season play.

RECOMMENDED

LIMOUSINE (AGGRESSIVE)

- High density
- Fine textured
- Light green
- Wear tolerant



Sombrero High turf quality, superb density, wear tolerance, repels Poa annua, heat & drought tolerant

OTHER

- Limousine
- Julius
- Rush

COMPACT AMERICA

- Low, compact
- High quality turf
- Finer leaf, higher density
- Moderate Winter dormancy
- Moderate Summer recovery
- High Summer Patch resistance
- Resistant to Powdery Mildew
- Good in shade



Mercury Superior shear strength, excellent drought tolerance, fast germination, Rust & Leaf Spot resistant, excellent wear recovery salt tolerant

Armada

Fast germination & establishment, excellent shear strength, saline, drought & salt tolerant



SR 2284 Very drought tolerant, early spring green-up, heat resistant

SR 2286

Dark Green Color. Excellent cool temperature growth and spring and fall color. Superior Drought Resistance and Fast Recovery. Traffic Tolerance with Summer Patch Resistance

OTHER

- Apollo
- Bedazzled
- BlueNote
- BlueRidge
- Diva
- Jumpstart
- Legend
- Mallard
- Mazama
- Merlot
- MoonlightSLT
- Monte Carlo
- Mystere
- Oasis
- Shiraz
- Voyager
- Moonlight SLT
- Monte Carlo
- Mystere
- Oasis
- Shiraz
- Voyager
- Waterworks

COMPACT MIDNIGHT

- Low, compact
- High quality turf
- Very dark green color
- Late spring green-up
- Good heat tolerance
- Susceptible to Powdery Mildew
- Variable resistance to Summer patch
- Long Winter dormancy
- Many are susceptible to stem & Leaf Rust



Blue Velvet Traffic tolerant, Summer Patch, Necrotic Ring Spot & Leaf Spot resistant, traffic & drought tolerant



Granite Dense; fine leaves; high resistance to Summer Patch; high winter color

Rhythm

Dark green, heat tolerant, low stemminess, Summer Patch resistant, high density, low mow, wear tolerant

Arcadia

Traffic tolerant, Summer Patch, Necrotic Ring Spot & Leaf Spot resistant, traffic & drought tolerant

Quantum Leap

Dense; fine leaves; high resistance to Summer Patch; high winter color

OTHER

- Alexa
- Alexa II
- Award
- Barrister
- Beyond
- Blueberry
- Everest
- Everglade
- Ginney
- Ginney II
- Impact
- Liberator
- Midnight
- Navy
- NuGlade
- Right
- Rugby II
- Skye

COMPACT

- Low, compact growth
- High quality turf
- 1/2" Cutting height
- Excellent resistance to Leaf Spot
- Long Winter dormancy
- Variable under Summer stress
- Often purple Winter color



Heidi (ADO-2882) Dark-green, superior turf quality, wear tolerant, drought tolerant, early spring green-up



Northern Exposure Midnight-type father – Dark Green Color. High Seedling Vigor and Fast Establishment. Excellent Shade Tolerance. Superior Drought Resistance and Fast Recovery. Traffic Tolerance. Dollar Spot, Rust and Leaf Spot Resistance.

OTHER

- Baronie
- Bewitched
- Blackstone
- Blue Sapphire
- Hallmark
- Hampton
- Wildwood

COMPACT MID-ATLANTIC
(WASHINGTON AGGRESSIVE)

- Deep, extensive roots & rhizomes
- Vigorous turf & medium-high density
- High Summer stress tolerance
- Early Spring green-up
- Good Winter performance
- Rapid disease recovery
- Wear tolerant



Martha

Excellent heat tolerance, superior Summer Patch resistant, drought tolerant



SR 2758

High Turf Quality through the Transition Zone. Dark Green Color. Excellent Seedling Vigor and Establishment. Superior Traffic Tolerance. Shade Tolerant. Excellent Resistance to Stem and Crown Rust.

OTHER

- Champlain
- Jefferson
- Northstar
- P-105
- Washington
- Appalachian
- Aura
- Cabernet
- Livingston
- Preakness
- Zinfandel

SHAMROCK

- Aggressive lateral growth
- High shoot density
- Very wear tolerant
- Quickly knit sod & repair
- May predominate in blend
- Variable in other characteristics



Fielder

(SPTR 2959) - American Shamrock, excellent winter color & early spring green-up, excellent traffic tolerance, rapid establishment, superior summer performance



SR 2100

Rapid germination, high sod strength, year-round bright green color & growth, high summer performance



Estrella

High Turf Quality, Medium Dark Green. Excellent Seedling Vigor and Establishment. High Density. Superior Traffic Tolerance. Shade Tolerant Excellent Resistance to Stem and Crown Rust.

OTHER

- Arrowhead
- ARC
- Atlantis
- Bonaire
- Brooklawn
- Champagne
- Durham
- Gaelic
- Guinness
- Lakeshore
- Mongoose
- Moonshine
- Parkland
- Rockstar
- Rubix
- Shamrock
- Volt
- Wildhorse
- Zinger

JULIA

- High turf quality
- High density
- Good Summer performance
- Very high wear tolerance
- Good Leaf Spot & Stripe Smut Resistance
- Generally susceptible to Brown Patch & Dollar Spot



Jackrabbit

Fast germination & establishment, excellent tillering, wear tolerant, excellent stress tolerance, early green-up

OTHER

- Barimpala
- Caliber
- Julia

BVMG

- High seed yields
- Medium-good turf
- Stripe smut susceptible
- Medium-low growth
- Medium wide leaf
- Very stemmy turf
- Poor winter performance
- Resistant to leaf spot
- Billbug susceptible

OTHER

- Abbey
- Barduke
- Baron
- BlueStar
- BlueStar Plus
- Cannon
- Corsair
- Denim
- Dragon
- Famous
- Goldrush
- Merit
- Misty
- NuBluePlus
- Raven
- Rush
- Victa

EURASIAN

- Variable in many characteristics
- Midwest (common) related to these
- Less stress tolerant
- Rust resistant
- Medium high density
- Medium light green color

OTHER

- Boomerang
- Bodacious
- BlueKnight
- Chelsea
- Limerick
- Northstar

EURASIAN-MIDWEST
(COMMON)

- Midwest eco-types
- Erect growth & narrow leaf blades
- Good Summer stress tolerance
- May go dormant during Summer
- High Leaf Spot susceptibility
- Poor Winter color & performance
- High water use
- Good for soil stabilization & conservation
- Stemmy early Spring

Alene

Cache

Geronimo

Ken Blue

Park

OTHER

- Argyle
- Blue Angel
- Eagleton
- Ginger
- Greenly
- Huntsville
- Jewell
- Moonstruck
- Piedmont
- Rhonde
- Wellington