



## VIRGINIA TURFGRASS VARIETY RECOMMENDATIONS 2023-2024

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### Kentucky Bluegrass

*Individual varieties selected must make up not less than 10%, nor more than 35% of the total mixture on a weight basis. All varieties must be certified. Selections can be made from Category I alone or various combinations of Categories I and II. Kentucky bluegrasses listed as "Promising" (Category II below) can account for no more than 35% of the blend by weight).*

#### Category I – Recommended Kentucky Bluegrass Varieties (65-100% of blend by weight):

After Midnight, Aries4, **Babe**, Bluebank4, **Blue Coat**, Blue Note, Bolt, **Endurance**, Full Back4, Hampton4, Legend, **Midnight**, Noble4, Pivot, **Selway**, Shannon4, Skye, SPF304, Starr, **Tirem**, United, and Yellowstone.

#### Category II – Promising Kentucky Bluegrass Varieties (10-35% on a weight basis):

Acoustic, Amaze, Barserati, Barvette, **Blue Devil**, Blue Gem, Blue Magic, Bombay, Cloud, Dauntless, Electric, Finish Line, Jersey, New Moon, Nurush, Orion, Syrah, Twilight, Volt1, and Wildhorse1. (Volt and Wildhorse are only for mixing with tall fescue for mixed species sod production).

### Tall Fescue

*Both recommended and promising varieties can be used in the VCIA Sod Certification program.*

#### Category I – Recommended Tall Fescue Varieties (90-100% on a weight basis):

4th Millennium SRP, Annapolis, Avenger II4, Avenger III, Birmingham1, Black Tail, Bloodhound4, Bullseye1, Bullseye LTZ, Catalyst, Crossfire 4, Daybreak, Degas, Dragster, Dynamite G-LS, **Fantasia**, Fastlane, Fayette, Firebird 2, Firecracker G-LS, Firecracker SLS, Firehawk SLT, **Firenza II**, Firewall4, Gazelle II4, Gold Medallion4, Grande 3, CTO, Guardian 41, Hemi, Hounddog 84, Inferno4, Integrity4, Justice4, Lifeguard, Maestro, Michelangelo, Monument, **Moondance GLX**, Mustang 44, Paramount, Penn RK44, Pro Gold, Raptor III, Rebel IV4, Rebel V4, Rebel XLR4, Rebounder4, Reflection, Regenerate, Rendition RX4, Rockwell, Rowdy4, Saltillo4, Screamer LS, **Serenade**, Spyder LS4, Spyder 2LS, SR 8650, Standout4, Stealth, Sunset Gold4, Supersonic, **Symphony**, Technique, Temple, Thor, Titanium 2LS, Titanium G-LS, Titan Rx4, Trinity, Turbo4, Turbo RZ4, Valkyrie LS, Wichita, and Xtremegreen4.

#### Category II – Promising Tall Fescue Varieties (may be 90-100% of the mixture on a weight basis):

Battle Hawk, Bentley, Bladerunner 3, Bonfire, Bravo 2, Capitan, Clash, Endgame, Essential 2, Estrena, Extravaganza, Fairfield, Falcon Supreme, Finelawn Supreme, Galactic, Gallardo, GLX Aced, GLX Revive, GRO\_PRO, Hellcat GLR, Hounddog 9, Kizzle, Lafayette, Matisse, **Motif**, Naturally Green, OKeefe, Oriole, Padre 2, Providence, Raceway, Raptor LS, Rover, Rowdier, SR 8700, Talladega II, Tank, Teacher, Titan GLX, Titan Max, Tough, Triad, Valsetz, Xanadu, and Zion.

### Perennial Ryegrass

*Not for use in sod production, use certified seed.*

#### Category I – Recommended Perennial Ryegrass Varieties:

Apple 3GL, Apple SGL, Benchmark, Big League, Fastball 3GL, Grand Slam GLD, Homerun, Karma, Slugger 3GL, Soprano, Stellar 3 GL, Stellar 4GL, and Superstar GL.

#### Category II – Promising Perennial Ryegrass Varieties:

Black Pearl, Gray Fox, Infusion, Shield, Sideways, Signet, Silver Spot, SR 4650, SR 4660ST, and Wicked.

### Fine Fescues

*For general use in low maintenance areas or in partial to full shade. Promising varieties have limited performance data or availability as certified seed. Neither blending varieties nor mixing species have been studied extensively in MD or VA and limited research does not indicate any advantage to blending or mixing varieties from the different fine fescue species listed. Use only certified seed.*

#### Creeping Red Fescue – Recommended or Promising Varieties:

None at this time.

#### Chewings Fescue – Recommended Varieties:

Compass II and Radar4.

#### Chewings Fescue – Promising Varieties:

Brittany 2 and Radar II

#### Hard Fescue – Recommended Varieties:

Beacon4, **Gladiator**, Jetty4, Minimus4, Resolute, and Sword4.

#### Hard Fescue – Promising Varieties:

Beacon II, Sword II, and Tenacious

#### Sheep Fescue – Recommended or Promising Varieties:

None at this time.

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