

Fowler Seed Marketing

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FSM Brand Packer Forage Peas

FSM Brand Packer peas have a proven track record for high-protein, high-yield forage and as a tremendous nitrogen fixer when used as a plow down.

Characteristics:

Flower color-	White
Height at maturity-	28-32"
Wet soil tolerance-	Very good
Dry soil tolerance-	Very Good
Heat tolerance-	Excellent
Nitrogen fixation-	Excellent
Forage yield-	Excellent



FSM Brand Packer forage peas are adapted to most soil-types and perform best when planted as early in the spring as fields are fit to get on. Recommended seeding rate is **100-120 pounds per acre**. Seed should be inoculated with **Bio-Works Pea-Vetch 40** biological inoculant and drilled 1/2" to 3/4" deep in a clean, firm seed bed. Peas can be planted 1-2" deep when planting early to minimize early freeze damage. Harvest window for forage is at 55-60 days or when the first flowers emerge. When taking down peas ahead of planting corn, either turn fodder completely under and plant immediately or wait 10 to 14 days if peas are disked or rototilled into the soil. Proper microbial inoculation enhances nutrient uptake, plant health and nitrogen-fixation. Peas need adequate available Calcium, Phosphorous and Sulfur to perform well.

Forage peas used as a nitrogen fixing green manure crop breakdown rapidly stimulating biological activity that flocculates the soil, improves soil structure and slowly releases up to 90 pounds of N per foot of growth.