

Fowler Seed Marketing

Serving Your Seed Needs Since 1995!

FSM Brand Sunny Organic Orchardgrass

FSM Brand Sunny exhibits impressive sward density and excellent winterhardiness to other European late maturing orchardgrass varieties, producing excellent yields of good quality, leafy forage.

Agronomic & Performance Characteristics

- Impressive sward density
 - Excellent yields European trials
 - Good heat and drought tolerance
 - Superior winterhardiness
 - Good digestibility with a dNDF of 65-85% depending on stage of harvest and season
- Variety Development: Non-GMO
Seeding Rates: Pasture 25#/acre
Dry hay 10-12#/acre alone; 4-6# in a mix.



FSM Brand Sunny Organic Orchardgrass is well suited for dry hay production, alone or with red clover or alfalfa; or as a winter hardy, heat and drought tolerant component of high quality pasture. In pasture mixes, we recommend including not more than 20 to 35 percent **Sunny** by weight. Use 4 to 8 pounds per acre when seeding with alfalfa or red clover for hay.

Sunny prefers moderate to well drained soils and has good tolerance to heat and dryer conditions. For best results, seed into a clean, firm seed bed when temperature and moisture will be

adequate but not excessive for at least 30 days after planting (generally March through early May in spring, August through early-October in fall). Late fall and early spring seedings will generally establish but not be highly productive the first summer. Fertilizer requirements are similar to other cool season grasses. **Sunny** should be harvested during the third week of May (just before head emergence) and every 30 to 40 days thereafter through the growing season either mechanically or by grazing. **Sunny** should not be harvested lower than 3-4 inches under any circumstance! Proper harvest height management is critical for regrowth, along with temperature and moisture conditions after harvest.

FSM Brand Sunny Organic Orchardgrass is benefitted by **Myco-Seed Treat** for enhanced seedling establishment at a rate of 4oz/100#.

Use our **BioEnhanced Grass Hay Fertility Program** to supply balanced nutrition throughout the growing season, including essential calcium, phosphorus, and potassium.

FSM Brand Sunny Organic Orchardgrass is Certified Organic by NICS.