



BAR TECH

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New Varieties for Barforage 2021

Harvest 2020 is a very exciting time for Barenbrug UK with crops of FIVE new forage varieties coming off ready to be used in Barforage mixtures in 2021.

BARIMAX

A tetraploid Italian ryegrass which performs very well throughout the year but has excellent mid and late season performance and excellent ME yields. Barimax is the first Dutch, Barenbrug bred Italian ryegrass to be recommended 1st choice in Scotland and is also listed on RGCL England and Wales.

BANNFOOT

A tetraploid Hybrid ryegrass which is 7/8th perennial resulting in a yield advantage over a pure perennial but with excellent persistency. It is a high quality variety and is officially listed in England and Wales and was bred in Northern Ireland by AFBI.

GLASKER

An early diploid perennial ryegrass bred by AFBI in Northern Ireland. Specifically for England and Wales, Glasker performs very well under both cutting and grazing management schemes where its key feature is its excellent first cut yield and spring yields.

The first ever crop of Galgorm growing in Herefordshire, which will be harvested next month

GALGORM

An intermediate diploid perennial ryegrass with a heading date of 21st May (REE 35 in Scotland) and is another fantastic variety from the British breeding programme in Northern Ireland at AFBI. Galgorm is officially listed in England & Wales and Scotland and in both cases is the highest yielding intermediate diploid available. Galgorm performs very well under both cutting and grazing management schemes providing high yield of high-quality forage and great ME yields.

GRACEHILL

A late tetraploid perennial ryegrass, only officially listed in 2020 in both Scotland and England & Wales but a clear performer throughout its breeding and production timeline. Gracehill performs very well under both cutting and grazing management with excellent spring growth making it a great choice for swards for early turnout or silage production. Gracehill has a heading date of 1st June or REE 47 in Scotland.

Aside from Gracehill being added to the recommended list this spring, AFBI-Barenbrug bred late diploid Ballyvoy and Dutch bred Timothy Baronaise have both been added to the Scottish and English and Welsh recommended lists. Further to this, another AFBI-Barenbrug variety, intermediate diploid perennial ryegrass Strangford was added to the Scottish recommended list. These additions take the number of officially listed Barenbrug varieties in England & Wales to 24 and in Scotland, 31.