



Disease Resistance/Tolerance

Denmark is resistant to Clover Scorch (*Kabatiella caulivora*) and has demonstrated high resistance to strains 0 and 2 of Phytophthora Root Rot (*Phytophthora clandestina*). Denmark has demonstrated moderate tolerance to Root Rots caused by Pythium (*Pythium spp.*) and Fusarium (*Fusarium spp.*) along with moderate resistance to leaf diseases caused by Leaf Rust (*Uromyces trifolii-repentis*) and Cercospora Leafspot (*Cercospora zebrifera*). Denmark demonstrates superior disease tolerances compared to other Sub Clover varieties of similar maturity.

Pest Resistance

Denmark, as with all Sub Clovers, is susceptible to Red Legged Earth Mites, (*Halotydeus destructor*) Blue-Green Aphids (*Acyrtosiphon kondoi*), Blue Oat Mites (*Penthaleus major*) and Spotted Clover Aphids (*Therioaphis trifolii*). Control is essential at the early seedling stage and appropriate pest management must be implemented as required.

Variety Management/Agronomy

Regeneration: Denmark has demonstrated superior seed productivity compared to Mount Barker and Karridale. It is a relatively soft seeded Sub Clover (<10% hard seed) which is similar to Mount Barker and Karridale. However, if grown in cooler conditions, hard seed levels of Denmark can increase to around 29% compared to Karridale (24%) and Mount Barker (9%). This characteristic, along with improved seed yields, proves Denmark to be a more effective long term grazing option in cooler growing regions. **Grazing:** Denmark is particularly well suited to grazing and care must be taken with new sown pastures, so as not to overgraze too early as plants can be pulled from the ground. Light grazing during the establishment period will help control weeds and encourage dense prostrate growth. Once established, heavy grazing of Denmark up to flowering will improve seed set. When flowering begins, stocking rates should be reduced to optimise seed set.

Key Features

- Subterranean sub clover with late season maturity – 144 days to flowering (Perth)
- Replacement for Karridale and Mount Barker
- Greater full season dry matter production
- Higher level of hard seed (10-29%)
- One of the only Sub's that can continue to grow after flowering
- Resistant to Clover Scorch and Root Rot
- Particularly well suited to grazing

Key Benefits

- Denmark's disease resistance and hard seed profile ensures improved productivity and persistence compared to many late season Sub Clovers, particularly Karridale and Mount Barker.
- When Denmark is mixed with other varieties such as Gosse and Napier in high rainfall situations, the resulting sward will have increased production and persistence.

Description

Denmark is a black seeded Sub Clover that belongs to the *Trifolium subterraneum* ssp. *subterraneum* family. It was derived from material collected at Sardinia and released as part of the National Subterranean Clover Improvement Program. Denmark demonstrates a prostrate growth habit and persists well on moderate to heavy soil types. It has late season maturity which makes Denmark well suited to medium to high rainfall zones. Denmark is an alternative replacement for Karridale and Mount Barker, selected for its superior autumn and winter growth rates along with improved disease resistance. It is best suited to regions with a 7-8 month growing period. Seedlings of Denmark are generally smaller and more prostrate than that of Karridale and Mount Barker however once established, growth habit becomes erect during the spring. The levels of hard seed that Denmark can supply will vary depending on seasonal conditions but would be suitable for either permanent pasture or short to medium term crop rotations. Denmark will also provide the benefits of soil nitrogen as well as providing an effective disease break.