



Crackerjack 2

True forage triticale

Triticale hexaploide

450mm

4.8- 8.0

Most Soil
Types

Key Features

- Impressive spring bulk up for very high silage yield potential
- Stripe rust resistance
- High growth in autumn-early winter
- Earlier sowing option than the original Crackerjack
- Dark green long and broad leaves
- Excellent green leaf retention in later stages of maturity
- Very good lodging resistance

Description

Crackerjack 2 is a high performance mid/late forage type triticale, bred to provide high forage yields. It benefits from good early growth, excellent overall forage yield and good grazing tolerance. Crackerjack 2 is suited to rotational grazing and is an exceptional whole crop silage variety. Crackerjack 2 supersedes the original Crackerjack by Heritage Seeds.

Suitability

Crackerjack 2 is ideal as a winter forage crop for dairy and livestock systems. It has been developed for whole crop silage production and is well suited to grazing and hay production. Crackerjack 2 is also an excellent option for paddock preparation and reducing weed/pest burdens for subsequent pasture renovations. It is particularly suited to areas where waterlogging and/or soil Al levels limit production for other cereals.

Yield

With good winter production as well as excellent spring yield of good quality forage, Crackerjack 2 makes a very versatile winter crop option. In all trials Crackerjack 2 has consistently out yielded other similar triticale varieties. It can be grazed through winter and then locked up for whole crop silage or hay production. For maximum whole crop silage yields the crop should only be grazed once early in the season, later grazing will reduce final yields.



Sowing Rate

APPLICATION	DRYLAND	IRRIGATED
Sowing rate (kg/ha) Temperate	80 - 100	100 - 120
Sowing rate (kg/ha) Sub-Tropical	40 - 60	80 - 100

Performance

Crackerjack 2 is stripe rust resistant and does not require fungicide treatments which can reduce the cost of production. Crackerjack 2 has high growth in autumn-early winter when most other triticale varieties tend to produce less, and continues to grow well for the spring bulk-up. With excellent green leaf retention it will produce very good quality silage or hay.

Triticale - Feed quality results 2010

Crude Protein (CP%)

	23-Jun	17-Aug	20-Oct
Crackerjack 2	31.7	32.8	10.6
Crackerjack	31.3	29.4	8.6
Granador	32.2	32.1	15

Neutral Detergent Fibre (NDF %)

	23-Jun	17-Aug	20-Oct
Crackerjack 2	33.8	44.2	58
Crackerjack	37.6	45.3	65
Granador	32	42.2	64

Digestability (calculated DOMD %)

	23-Jun	17-Aug	20-Oct
Crackerjack 2	82.7	77.5	58
Crackerjack	80.4	73.6	53
Granador	84.8	78	56

Metabolisable Energy (ME MJ/kg DM)

	23-Jun	17-Aug	20-Oct
Crackerjack 2	13.8	12.7	8.8
Crackerjack	13.3	11.9	7.8
Granador	14.2	12.8	8.3

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