

# Bison 2

*Lolium hybridum*



Bison 2 the newest development of DLF's successful forage intermediate ryegrasses with an increased DM yield and better leaf disease resistance. Persistence is the biggest advantage of Bison 2. Even into the third year, Bison 2 outyields a typical perennial ryegrass. For total accumulated forage in three years, Bison 2 is the clear winner.

Bison 2 is on average a later maturing intermediate and has a very high leaf-to-stem ratio. Combined with DLF's focus on genetic improvement of NDFd, which translates into higher RFQ, Bison 2 offers top milk/ton production and milk/acre. Bison 2 is an excellent tool to improve forage production.

Bison 2 can be utilized in various ways:

- **Short-Term Pastures**
- **Pasture Mixes**
- **Interseeding of Alfalfa to Increase DM Yield**
- **Overseeding of Existing Pastures to Increase Stand Density and DM Yield**



The variety tolerates intensive grazing and recovers extremely fast. Winter hardiness is excellent for a hybrid ryegrass – it topped a ryegrass trial, which included perennial ryegrasses, at Michigan State University (2015/2016) in the second and third trial years: as well as maintaining its high yield in a 2 year trial in NY (2015/2016).

## What Do Users Say?

Bison 2 has been a traffic stopper wherever it is grown. Even in New Zealand, the land of ryegrass where people recognize good grass when they see it. Pastures of Bison 2 stop traffic and people take notice. "An incredible field to see" said one bystander, looking at the Bison 2 field being grazed by a large flock of sheep for the second time, two months after planting.



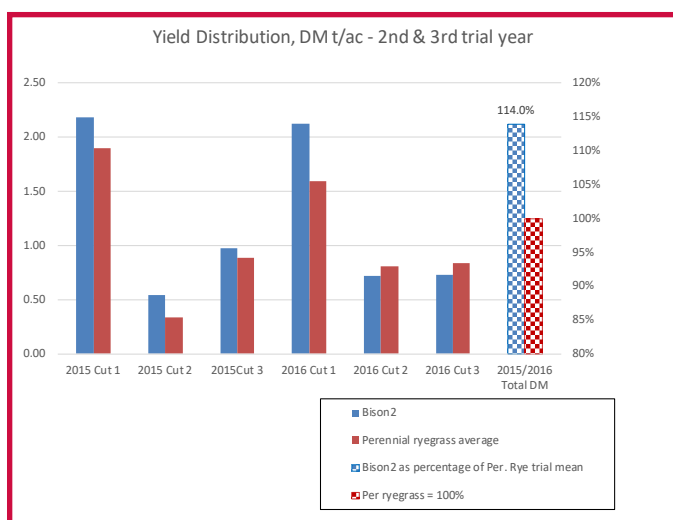


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Bison 2 excels in a very large first cut compared to perennial ryegrass: >23% more dry matter than perennial ryegrass in the 2nd and 3rd year of trial period. The cumulative DM production over the two-year period for Bison2 was 114% of the perennial ryegrass trial mean total:



MI State University, 2015-2016. Trial seeded May 2014.  
 No trial data from 2 cuts in 2014.

