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Technical Data

SPARTAN II

HARD FESCUE

Spartan II is the best hard fescue available on the market today. Top rated in all areas in the country, and under all maintenance regimes, Spartan II is an important component of many turf mixtures. From un-mown meadows or roughs, to home laws and fairways, Spartan II performs. It has high shade resistance and high density with stress tolerance that keeps weeds out.

TURF AND NATIVE USES:
Spartan II is intended for use as both a high quality turfgrass or as a lower maintenance turf cover; It is well adapted for both uses. The fine fescues used for turf have been determined to be native to North America as well as Europe. This includes the species of red fescues and hard fescues. Rest assured that improved cultivars from PICKSEED are the result of many years of collections and selection of plants under stress environments to perform under reduced and low maintenance.

It is excellent for lower maintenance situations, is very shade tolerant and likes low fertility acid soils. It tolerates low cutting heights, has excellent disease resistance and forms an attractive turf. It mixes very well with Kentucky bluegrass, perennial ryegrass and other fine leafed fescues such as Jasper II, Windward, Victory II and Azay.

DISEASE RESISTANCE:
Spartan II has been bred to resist many of the summer patch diseases that can be problems in fine fescue turf. It has excellent Dollar Spot resistance, good resistance to red thread, rust and powdery mildew and also has excellent heat tolerance. Once established it thrives in the shade and on minimal maintenance and irrigation.

It blends well with other fine fescues and is an excellent component for lower growing and minimal maintenance turf situations such as low maintenance areas between golf course fairways.

PERFORMANCE:
NTEP (National Turfgrass Evaluation Program) scores for Spartan II have been excellent. It is one of the best fine fescues now available anywhere. It has superior turf performance at all locations, particularly compared to most other fine fescues in warmer areas and in the transition zone.

TECHNICAL PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

Year of Introduction	2004
Main Uses	Golf courses, lawns, shade, low maintenance, Low pH areas
Seed Count	510,000 seeds/lb.
Normal Days to Germinate	7-12 days
Normal Days to First Mowing	About 35 days
NTEP Quality Ratings (2010 Data)	Excellent – 6.2 (#1 Hard Fescue)
Genetic Color	Medium dark green - 6.4
Summer Stress Tolerance	Good – 6.3
Leaf Texture	Very fine - 7.2
Summer Turf Density	Dense – 4.5
Salt Tolerance (10,000 ppm)	Good
Winter hardiness	Excellent
Close Mowing Tolerance	Excellent
Growth Rate	Slow
Leaf Spot Resistance	Good - 6.7
Dollar Spot Resistance	Excellent - 6.7
Brown Patch Resistance	Very good - 7.7
Summer Patch Resistance	Very good - 7.0
Red Thread Resistance	Very Good – 6.7

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