

**Key points**

- Fast germination
- Winter active
- Wear recovery

**Characteristics and areas of use**

Colosseum is a medium-fine, mid-green, perennial ryegrass that incorporates Mediterranean genetics. The Mediterranean genetics gives the turf active winter growth in cold weather and rapid germination in cold temperatures – down to 5°C.

Colosseum is ideally suited to winter sports grounds, golf tees, golf fairways and lawns receiving heavy wear, especially winter wear. Its mid-green colour helps to mask the invasion of *Poa annua* and other grassy weeds.

**Breeding history**

Colosseum was bred from the few surviving plants out of a test cricket pitch. The surviving plants were crossed and resulted in a cultivar capable of withstanding extreme adverse conditions. Colosseum has a high endophyte level which helps it to resist insect attack.

**Sowing rate**

Colosseum turf ryegrass can be sown in lawns at 2 - 4 kg/100m<sup>2</sup>. Use the higher seeding rate for faster establishment.

In new sports fields and winter over-seeded couch grass it should be sown at 400 - 500 kg/ha.



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