

## Key points

- Excellent drought tolerance
- Very good traffic tolerance and recovery
- Improved winter survival over most seeded bermuda grass varieties
- Quick spring green-up



## Characteristics and areas of use

Transcontinental seeded bermuda grass can be used in a wide variety of situations from sports fields, parks, schools, home, commercial turf, roadsides and erosion control. It has a highly aggressive, prostrate, spreading growth habit which forms a dense but uniform quality sward. Transcontinental displays a dark green colour with a fine leaf-blade texture and is an excellent performer in hot and humid conditions. It is a deep rooted variety with aggressive rhizome activity and is moderately salt tolerant.

## Breeding history

Developed by Pure-Seed Testing, Inc. in North Carolina.

## Sowing rate and maintenance

Sowing rates for Transcontinental are 10-15 g/m<sup>2</sup> – 100-150 kg/ha for new sowings.

Autumn sowings are not recommended; therefore spring through mid-summer plantings will achieve best results.

A cultivated seed bed should be kept moist throughout the germination and establishment phase. Germination should be expected within 10-14 days of sowing given optimal temperatures of between 18°C and 27°C. Sowings below 15°C are not recommended. Transcontinental's first mowing should take place when the turf reaches a height of 2.5 mm and care must be taken not to remove more than one third of the total leaf blade. Full cover should be achieved in approximately 8 weeks given optimal growing conditions.

Deep and infrequent irrigation applications are recommended throughout the growing season.

For improved turf quality; renovation, aeration, and topdressing applications are recommended to take place during the active growing season. In climates with cold winters, summer renovations are best to allow for full recovery before the onset of cooler temperatures.

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