



CMG GardenNotes #562

Best Turf Varieties:

Variety Recommendations for Bluegrass, Tall Fescue, Fine Fescue, Ryegrass, and Buffalograss

Recommendations for Kentucky Bluegrasses

America	Full Moon	NuGlade
Arcadia	Julius	Odyssey
Avalanche	Kingfisher	Orfeo
Award	Langara	P-105
Awesome	Limousine	Prosperity
Bedazzled	Marquis	Quantum Leap
Bewitched	Midnight	Rampart
Bordeaux	Midnight Star	Rugby II
Brilliant	Moonbeam	SR2284
Cheetah	Moonlight	Touchdown
Diva	Moon Shadow	Ulysses
Everest	NuDestiny	

Cultivar names in **BOLD** have exhibited better traffic tolerance

Recommendations for Turf-Type Tall Fescues

3 rd millennium SRP	Firecracker LS	Renovate
AST 7002	Firenza	Reunion
AST9001	Gazelle II	Rhambler SRP
AST9002	Hudson	Skyline
AST9003	Hunter	Speedway
Biltmore	Justice	Spyder LS
Bullseye	Lindbergh	SR 8650
Cezanne	Magellan	Talladega
Compete	Monet	Tulsa Time
Darlington	Mustang 4	Turbo
Einstein	Padre	Van Gogh
Escalade	Raptor II	Wolfpack II
Faith	Rembrandt	

Recommendations for Fine Fescues

<u>Chewing</u>	<u>Creeping</u>	<u>Hard</u>	<u>Sheep's</u>
Ambassador	Aberdeen	Berkshire	Quatro
Compass	Audubon	Firefly	
Intrigue 2	Cardinal	Gotham	
J-5 (Jamestown 5)	Class One	Oxford	
LaCrosse	Epic	Predator	
Longfellow II	Fortitude (TL 53)	Reliant IV	
SR 5130	Garnet	Scaldis	
Treasure II	Pathfinder	Spartan II	
Zodiac	Shoreline	SR 3000	
	Wendy Jean		

Recommendations for Perennial Ryegrasses

1G squared	Forever	Phenom
Accent II	Fusion	Pizzazz
Allstar 3	Galatti	Plateau
Amazing GS	Grand slam 2	Pleasure Supreme
Apple GL	Gray star	Premier II
ASP 6004	Harrier	Primary
Attribute	Hawkeye 2	Prototype
Baccarat	Homerun	Quick Silver
Barlennium	Inspire	Regal 5
Brea	Keystone 2	Repell GLS Revenge
Brightstar SLT	Kokomo II	GLX
Buena Vista	La Quinta	Ringer II
Cabo II	Line drive GLS	Secretariat II GLSR
Caddieshack II	LS 2300	Silver Dollar
Calypso 3	Mach I	Soprano
Cutter II	Majesty II	SR 4600
Dart	Monterey 3	Stellar GL
Dasher 3	Nexus XR	Sunshine 2
Defender	Overdrive	Top Gun II
Derby Xtreme	Palace	Transformer
Edge II	Palmer IV	Uno
Exacta II GlSr	Palmer V	Wayfarer
Fiesta 4	Panther GLS	Wind dance 2
Fiji	Paragon GLR	Zoom
Firebolt	Pentium	

Recommendations for Buffalograss

Seeded Varieties

(will be a mixture of male and female plants)

Bison
Bowie
Cody
Plains
Topgun

The varieties Texoka and Sharp's Improved will produce a lesser quality lawn. Certain varieties of buffalograss are only available in vegetative form (sod or plugs).

Vegetative Varieties

(female only; planted as sod or plugs)

Prairie (likely to winterkill in northern CO)
609 (may suffer winter injury/winterkill in northern CO)
Legacy
Prestige
Turffalo

These varieties will form the best quality buffalograss lawn, but are more expensive than using the seeded cultivars.

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