

SUB-TROPICAL GRASSES

Finecut Rhodes Grass

Proven in WA across a wide range of soils, silage or hay

Chloris gayana

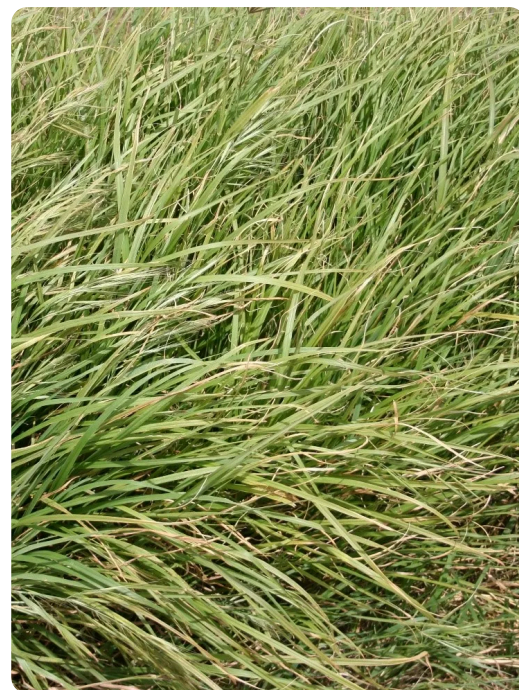
Finecut is a fine leaved selection from Katambora giving improved establishment vigour, higher palatability and increased production. Ideal hay option. One of the more productive of the Rhodes grass options. Coated and treated with Gaucho.

ABOUT THIS VARIETY

Finecut Rhodes Grass has been bred from Katambora types for improved establishment, dry matter production (+23% increase over Katambora in trials) and silage or hay production. It has an upright growth habit, uniform flowering and is finer stemmed than the older varieties. Summer active where soil moisture is available, Finecut is adaptable to a wide range of soils and has some tolerance to saline conditions.

Finecut Rhodes Grass is a synthetic variety derived from one cycle of selection and based on 10 clones selected from spaced plants representing two distinctly different Katambora populations that originated from commercial seed fields near Biloela and Bundaberg in Queensland.

Finecut can be sown as a monoculture but is best sown with other sub-tropical grasses as this will provide better overall pasture production throughout the growing season. It is also recommended to use coated seed to improve the ease of sowing and enhance seed placement.



QUICK FACTS

-  **TYPE & PERSISTENCY**
Perennial
-  **MIN RAINFALL**
300 mm+
-  **SOIL & PH**
Soil range: Light sand to Loam · pH 5+ (CaCl₂)
-  **SOWING RATE**
4–8 kg/ha General
-  **TOLERANCES**
Mild Salinity
-  **END USE**
Grazing, Hay, Silage
-  **GROWTH SEASON**
Summer-active

KEY ATTRIBUTES

- ✓ Fine leaved selection from Katambora
- ✓ Improved establishment vigour and higher palatability
- ✓ Bred for increased dry matter, silage or hay production
- ✓ Upright growth habit with uniform flowering
- ✓ Summer active where soil moisture is available
- ✓ Some tolerance to saline conditions

PLANTING & GRAZING NOTES

For best results Finecut should be planted onto or just below the soil surface, depth less than 2cm. The seedbed should be fine and firm if possible; the seed will sit in the soil until sufficient rainfall for germination. Like most sub-tropical grasses Finecut is best sown in the early spring period or where there are increasing soil temperatures. It is recommended to graze after 8 to 10 months or when plants are mature, i.e. going reproductive. If desired broadcast/sow any additional legumes in the first autumn after grazing, then re-introduce livestock to get seed to soil contact. Implement a rotational grazing system. Graze at 25 to 30cm and leave a residue of 12 to 15cm. Do not overgraze over summer.

HOW IT'S SOLD

FORM	PACK
Coated	25 kg