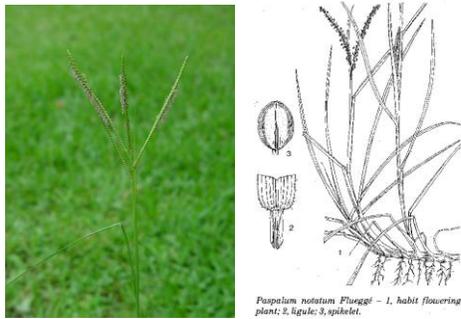


Pensacola Bahia Grass

Paspalum notatum



Pensacola Bahia Grass Seed is used for lawn, pasture, and erosion control applications, in the southern climates. Pensacola Bahia grass seed is excellent for sandy soils that many other grass varieties struggle to survive. Pensacola bahia grass is a great choice for pastures, boundary areas and erosion control seeding. Pensacola Bahia has a medium to fine blade width and medium green color. Pensacola Bahia seed is the most widely used of all the bahia grass seed varieties. Pensacola Bahiagrass is grown and planted on more acres than any of the other varieties of Bahia. It has been established on several million acres of roads, lawns, pasture, forage and conservation lands in the Southern states of USA since its discovery in 1935 by Ed Finlayson of the Escambia County Extension Service.

Pensacola has long, slim (narrow) leaves with an extensive root system that grows to depths of 7-10 feet. Pensacola also has more cold-tolerance than the other Bahia's, thus it can be grown further North toward and in the transition zone. Top growth is usually killed by "mild frost", but it recovers fast with warm weather. In colder areas the Pensacola variety produces more early and late season forage growth than the other Bahia varieties. Available from both seed and sod sources commercially. But usually planted using seeds. Pensacola Bahia is sold as non-certified seed. Florida grown seed is generally of higher quality than seeds produced in other states. This is because of lower "objectionable" weeds in Florida grown seeds.

Normal (average) germination period for Bahia (Pensacola & Tifton 9) is considered to be 28 days. When dormancy is broken in the seeds they germinate in approximately 28 days.... During hotter summer months such as July / August when rainfall is also plentiful, Pensacola Bahia seed can germinate in as quick as 10-14 days. Higher soil temps coupled with moist conditions will also cause more of the seed to germinate. Pensacola Bahia has better resistance to ergot, which is why it should be used on less fertile soils or those that will not be managed properly. This type of Bahia grass is relatively easy to maintain once it establishes itself as compared to other pasture grasses.

Seeding Rate: 5-10 Lbs. / 1000 sq. ft. for lawns or 20-80 Lbs. / Ac.

Seeds Per Pound: 200,000 to 250,000 per lb.

Taxonomy

Species: Notatum

Genus: Paspalum

Family: Poaceae

Order: Poales

Class: Liliopsida

Kingdom: Plantae



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