



Palmetto[®]
SOFT LEAF BUFFALO
Stenotaphrum secundatum 'SS100' (L)

World's #1 selling brand of Buffalo turf



World's Biggest Buffalo



Palmetto[®] turf research

A summary of research.

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The table below shows the winter colour ratings of 6 different varieties. Although Palmetto[®] Buffalo does not rate as well as Kikuyu in winter colour, it needs a lot less maintenance.

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Winter Colour Ratings Table

Average winter colour rating out of 10

Kikuyu	7.64
Couch	1.6
Palmetto[®]	5.81
Empire™	1.86
Average of other leading Buffalo turf varieties	3.6

Notes: These are averages from subjective turf quality ratings taken in heavy frost. 1=poor (brown) 10=excellent (dark green).

Data can be found in the study *Mowing Frequency Evaluation and General Observations of Popular Turf Varieties*. Pages 4-7. (2007) www.palmetto.com.au/download/mowingtrial.pdf

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Benefits of Palmetto® Buffalo

Best winter colour Buffalo

Palmetto® Buffalo has the best winter colour for a low maintenance turf, outperforming other leading Buffalo varieties by 106.5% in trials (2007 study).

Less mowing and edging

On average, Palmetto® turf requires approximately 11% less mowing than other leading Buffalo types.

Less seed head (low allergenic)

Seed heads on grass can cause allergies, so it is good to know that Palmetto has less seed head. In a full year trial at Richmond, Palmetto had an average of 40% less seed head than other popular Buffalo varieties (2009 HAL & DPI Queensland research).

A highly reliable landscape Buffalo

Trusted in landscapes and homes across Australia and overseas for over 14 years.

1 selling Buffalo grass in the world

With combined sales in the USA and Australia, no other proprietary brand of Buffalo grass comes close to the quantity sold.



Shade tolerance: Tolerates full sun to 65% shade with low wear. For moderate to high wear, it will work in up to 45% shade. Requires at least 3 hours of sunlight each day, or filtered sunlight through trees for half the day.

Drought tolerance: Excellent drought tolerance. It thrives in hot, humid and desert areas.

Cold tolerance: Excellent cold tolerance. Tested down to -12 °c.

Outcompetes weeds: It actively grows in most areas in winter, making it less likely for weeds to invade. This is the time when many other Buffalo varieties develop weed problems. Of course, occasionally weeds can develop, and if in the unlikely event this occurs, please see our maintenance guide online.

Less thatch: Common soft leaf Buffalo lawn varieties can be very spongy, whilst Palmetto® Buffalo has far less thatch. It rarely scalps when being mown, allowing people to almost always have a green lawn.

Establishment: It takes approximately 2-3 weeks to establish.

Recovery from wear: Good recovery from wear.

Mowing height and frequency : 35-45mm in full sun, 50-60mm in shade. Less mowing than Couch, Kikuyu and other Buffalo types.

Root structure: Deep rooted.

Disease and pest tolerance: Good tolerance to gray leaf spot and other diseases, more resistant to pests such as lawn grub.*

As with any natural product, problems can occasionally occur. If they do, please consult our maintenance guide online or seek expert advice.

Ask for a certificate of authenticity

To ensure you have received a genuine Palmetto® turf product, ask the turf supplier for a certificate of authenticity with your purchase. This guarantees quality and reduces the possibility of substitute grass being supplied.

For installation and maintenance...

Visit www.palmetto.com.au and have a look at the turf care links.

For turf care products...

Visit www.ozbreed.com.au/lawn_garden_care_shop where you will find quality slow release fertiliser, weed control and more.

