



Turf Fact Sheet

Sapphire Soft Leaf Buffalo

Sapphire is a fine textured soft leaf Buffalo. When mature, the leaf is a finer texture and is for those that don't like the coarseness of Buffalo. The leaf is about 17% finer but as well when it matures; it folds its leaf in half and gives the appearance of a much finer lawn. It has great winter colour, staying greener for longer than most other Buffalo's available. **Sapphire Soft Leaf Buffalo (*Stenotaphrum secundatum* 'B12' PBR) was bred from Sir Walter Turf.** Sapphire Soft Leaf Buffalo Grass has a super fine texture. So if you want a buffalo lawn, but don't like a coarse looking leaf, then a Sapphire Soft Leaf Buffalo Lawn is for you. Other great performing buffalo lawns have a much coarser looking texture compared to Sapphire Soft leaf Buffalo Grass.

Maintenance

- When mowing, no more than 30-40% of the leaf should be removed in any one mow. Keep mower blades sharp and do not cut wet grass.
- Sapphire is best at 30-40mm length. In a shady position it should be kept longer at all times, in spring, the lawn can be mown down to a height of 15mm (except in shady areas) and fertilised.
- Summer, mow every 7 – 10 days, autumn and winter every 2-4 weeks, if necessary.

Why Choose Sapphire?

Sapphire is the only high performance fine textured buffalo available. It is faster growing than Palmetto, but not ridiculously fast. It is a moderate maintenance Buffalo. It has great winter colour, staying greener for longer than most other Buffalo's available.

Features include:

- the ability to maintain a crisp, green colour in summer and winter
- fungus resistant and herbicide tolerant
- provides good wear tolerance in high traffic areas (backyards with dogs, heavily shaded playgrounds, etc)
- quick recovery from wear and damage
- low water use – drought tolerant
- a low chemical and mowing requirement makes it environmentally responsible
- an easy all round lawn to maintain
- a turf that is able to offer a high quality appearance without professional care

DROUGHT TOLERANCE 9 / 10
WEAR AND DURABILITY 9/10
SHADE TOLERANCE 7.5 / 10
LOW MAINTENANCE 8.5 / 10