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- ▶ Selected for more cold tolerance
- ▶ High Forage Yields

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Bred to be a Winner

Big Boss Tetraploid Annual Ryegrass is a newcomer that is fast becoming well-known and well liked. A selection out of our popular Big Daddy and Jumbo, with further crossings with T-3 for more cold tolerance, **Big Boss' trial result shows** it is a BIG forage producer!

Disease and Insect Resistance

Grazers, silage makers, and hay producers will all appreciate **Big Boss'** superior disease resistance. Bred out the University of Florida's internationally recognized forage breeding program, **Big Boss** is packed with the most advanced disease resistance, excellent re-growth potential, and improved cold tolerance. In early testing, Big Boss has show very high resistance to leaf spot, grey leaf spot, rust, and insect damage.

U. of Florida Disease Data - Gainesville, FL 2004-05**							
2-yrs, 6 incidents (the lower score the better)							
	Mar 19	Apr 1	Feb 4	Feb 21	Mar 24	Apr 11	2-Yr Ave
Big Boss	2.00	4.25	2.00	3.50	4.50	2.25	3.08
Beef Builder III	2.00	3.63	1.83	3.50	4.00	5.16	3.35
Surrey II	3.25	4.88	2.00	4.25	5.00	3.75	3.86
Gulf	2.62	5.25	2.25	4.25	5.25	3.75	3.90
Jackson	2.50	4.50	2.50	4.75	5.00	5.50	4.13
King	4.25	5.13	2.25	4.00	4.75	4.50	4.15
Passerel Plus	3.88	5.38	2.25	4.00	6.00	5.25	4.46

***complete trial results available upon request.*

Yields

In yield trials in Georgia, and Alabama, **Big Boss** topped the charts!*

Tallasse, AL 3-year average		Fairhope, AL 5 Harvests in 2006-07		Headland, AL 5 Harvests in 2004-05		Tifton, GA 5 Harvests in 2004-05	
	Total DMY		Total DMY		Total DMY		Total DMY
Big Boss	5785	Big Boss	7330*	Striker	12813*	Big Boss	7708*
Flying A	5733	Maximus	7305*	Big Boss	12084*	Jumbo	7466*
Passerel Plus	5618	Dyna-Gain	7283*	Prine	11537	Prine	7422*
Jackson	5512	Flying A	7240*	Diamond T	11186	Passerel Plus	7370*
Diamond T	5422	Rio	7188*	Passerel Plus	10425	Grazer	7041
Gulf	5409	Jackson	7182*	Jackson	10218	Diamond T	6976
Rio	5194	Prine	7130*	Flying A	9786	Jackson	6907
Grazer	5080	Grazer	6640	Rio	9689	Rio	6906
Prine	4870	Diamond T	6465	Grazer	9048	Flying A	6676
Shiwasuaoba	4655	Gulf	6372	Brigadier	7709	Brigadier	6378
		lsd	483	lsd	792	lsd	494

DMY - Dry Matter Yields *equal to top score based on least statistical difference **complete trial results available upon request.

Great Disease Resistance - Excellent cold tolerance - High Yields

See back side for testimonials, seeding recommendations and other information.



Harvesting, Seeding and Fertilizer Recommendations

Harvesting Recommendations

While University data represented on this sheet shows specific cutting times, individual producer cutting dates and yields will directly relate to a producers specific location, field fertility, management practices and weather. Therefore, this data should be used to compare the relative performance of Big Boss to other varieties, rather than predicted yields. Contact your local extension service for specific harvesting recommendation.

Seeding Recommendations

Uses	Per Acre Seeding	Seeding Dates	Notes
Hay, haylage or silage	30-35 lbs	Aug-Oct	If planted in Aug-Sept, Big Boss can be used for late fall and early winter grazing. If mechanically harvesting, regrowth should support additional grazing with proper fertility.
Companion crop to wheat, triticale, rye for hay, haylage, silage	8-10 lbs	Same as Companion Crop	Big Boss should increase the harvest window for the companion crop
Cover crop for tobacco, corn, summer annuals	30-35 bs	After harvest of tobacco, corn, summer annuals.	If planted in Aug-Sept, Big Boss can provide excellent late fall and early winter grazing.

Fertilizer Recommendations

As soils differ significantly from one property to another, producers should always fertilize based on soil tests and local recommendations.

Here's what dealers are saying about Big Boss:

Quitman, GA – The largest two dairies in the county chose Big Boss in 2007 after seeing how well it did in 2006.

These dairies need “cold tolerance, rust resistance, and tonnage.” And that’s what Big Boss is giving them

– Buddy Bass, Georgia-Florida Fertilizer Company

Floral, AL – “When customers found out I had Big Boss, they took it away from me. I have had no complaints. It must be a very palatable variety.” – Milney Perry, Zorn Brothers, Inc.

DeFuniak Springs, FL – “Everyone I sold it to is very happy. A number of my customers have come back asking for it by name. It outgrows other varieties. It has more forage and broader leaves.”- Chris, The Hitching Post

Louisville, AL – “Very pleased.” – Joe Andrews, Farmers Warehouse

Lake Butler, FL – “People ask for it by name. There is a noticeable difference between Big Boss and other varieties.

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– Greg Williams, Lake Butler Farm Center

Colquitt, GA – “Grew well, does what it is supposed to do. Customers are pleased. It’s fine!”

– John Williams, Newberry & Williams Farm

Big Boss is available through: