



# Sweet As

## SWEET FORAGE SORGHUM

Sweet As is a high yielding sorghum X sorghum hybrid that has high sugar levels. These levels make it very palatable and enhance its energy value. Sweet As can be grazed, or used as cut and carry, and also silage. A high leaf to stem ratio with juicy sweet stalks enhances the desirability of this excellent forage product.

### Soil Fertility

Sorghum is best suited to fertile soils. Ensure potassium levels are adequate in acidic soils. Do not exceed 110kg/ha of nitrogen. An independent soil test is advised before sowing.

### Forage Management

Avoid grazing or cutting sorghum below 15cm plant height. First grazing or cutting should be conducted at approximately 1 metre to increase plant productivity. Be aware of the risk of prussic acid (HCN) poisoning with forage sorghum's. Risk is greatest when crops are <60cm high or are moisture stressed or frosted. Cut or graze when 60–120cm high to maintain best quality.

### Seeding

Sow seeds shallow into adequately moistened soil.

Standability	Very Good
Palatability	Excellent
Digestibility	Excellent
Seedling Vigor	Very Good
Intensive Grazing	Good
Range grazing	Good
Hay production	Fair
Brix level - sweetness	High
Silage	Excellent
Planting - soil temp	15° Minimum
Plant population - Dryland	120-160,000
Plant population - Irrigation	200,000
Seed size	30,000/kg approx