Paddock Grass Seed Mix

A specialist blend of grass seed suitable for repairing and reseeding horse and pony paddocks.

- Quickly established
- Hard wearing and durable
- Dense sward

Reseeding
Sow at a rate of 15kgs per acre into a fine tilth seed bed, cover by lightly harrowing and then roll to produce a firm seed bed.

Repairing/Patching
Loosen soil on bare patches by raking with a grass rake or grass harrows. Scatter grass seed on at the rate of 15kgs per acre if using a spreader or at the rate of 10 grammes (2 tablespoons) per square metre by hand. Cover seed by lightly raking or harrowing and then firm by rolling or walking on.

To get the best from your grass seed sow into moist soils or when rain is forecast. If possible keep horses off for 2-3 weeks and once the grass is showing apply Suregrow fertiliser.

Application Rates and Timing

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<td>Spring and Summer Growth</td>
<td>4-5 bags/acre (60kgs)</td>
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<td>Late Season Growth</td>
<td>3 bags/acre (60kgs)</td>
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EC Fertiliser
NP Fertiliser (UK) 11:22:0 (18% SO₃)
NP Fertiliser (Eire) 11:9:0 (7% S)

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Fertiliser specifically designed for horse and pony paddocks

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Sold in convenient, easy to handle 10kg bags

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**Fertilising**
This is a vital component to achieving a well balanced pasture. Applying Suregrow at a rate of 4 bags an acre once or twice a year will give you a consistent healthy growth, stimulating root development, resulting in a denser sward therefore suppressing weed growth. Suregrow is slow release and low in nitrogen therefore preventing lush high protein grass growth which can be harmful. Light drizzle or heavy dew after spreading is ideal as it will gently dissolve the pellets, ensuring nutrients are washed into the ground where they are needed.

**Grazing**
Avoid overgrazing or overstocking – Overgrazed paddocks have a reduced quality of pasture and as the weeds replace grass they quickly look untidy and unkept. The environment becomes less healthy for horses, the feed value of grazing decreases and problems arise. The general rule of thumb with regard to grazing density is 2 acres for the first horse and 1 acre for each thereafter.
Where possible, it is a good idea for horses to strip graze behind a movable electric fence, allowing them to be moved strip by strip. Introducing a back fence will allow re-growth on the grazed area. Any weed growth occurring behind can be addressed and all manure removed.

**Topping**
One of the most satisfying aspects of grassland management is keeping weeds in check giving summer pastures a boost. It simply consists of cutting unnecessary seed heads therefore stimulating vigorous growth. Most weeds don’t like being cut, so topping in July, before seed drop, results in them becoming exhausted and perish. Poisonous ragwort becomes more palatable to stock when cut and dried. So the plants should be pulled up and burnt before the clusters of yellow flowers appear. An environmental method of ridding your pasture of ragwort is to graze it hard with sheep in spring.

**Harrowing**
Grassland benefits from harrowing early in the season, dispersing mole hills, raking moss or weeds and more importantly letting air and light to the base of the sward benefiting the finer grasses.

**Re-seeding**
Normally Suregrow ensures a healthy grass root system and poached areas will regenerate, for heavily damaged areas use Suregrow Specialist Paddock Grass Seed.
A well maintained paddock will provide the owner with healthy horses, lower feed costs and an intense feeling of satisfaction.