

**D**rinagh

*Taking Pride in Quality*



**GRASS SEED  
MIXTURES 2021**

# Drinagh Permanent Grazing

## Proven grazing mixture to suit all land types

VARIETY		QUANTITY
AberChoice	Late Diploid	4.5kg
Ballyvoy	Late Diploid	3.0kg
AberGain	Late Tetraploid	3.5kg
Clover Blend		1.0kg
	<b>29% Tetraploid</b>	<b>12kg</b>

An excellent grazing mixture suited towards slightly heavier soil types. The higher proportion of diploid varieties in this mix will produce a dense sward, while also delivering outstanding digestibility and persistency.

Drinagh Permanent Grazing contains varieties with excellent palatability for increased intakes and animal performance.



# Drinagh D74 Grazing

## Premium Grazing Mixture

VARIETY		QUANTITY
AberGain	Late Tetraploid	3.5kg
AberChoice	Late Diploid	3.5kg
Drumbo	Late Diploid	2kg
Astonenergy	Late Tetraploid	3kg
	<b>55% Tetraploid</b>	<b>12kg</b>

Available with or without clover.

This market leading mixture has been formulated to provide exceptional digestibility and palatability by selecting the best possible varieties available. These top varieties exploit the key traits needed to increase output and profit – DMD% (quality), WSC% (sugars), seasonal growth and persistency. Trialled under Irish growing conditions, the quality and performance of the varieties of the Drinagh D74 mixture is reflected in their position at the top of the Department of Agriculture Recommended List and the Teagasc Pasture Profit Index (PPI).



# Drinagh Superior Silage

## Two Cut Silage Mixture

VARIETY		QUANTITY
Astonconquerer	Intermediate Diploid	4kg
Moirá	Intermediate Diploid	3.5kg
Fintona	Intermediate Tetraploid	4.5kg
	<b>37% Tetraploid</b>	<b>12kg</b>

This mixture is specifically selected to produce two high quality cuts of silage per year. Ideally suited to a first cut from mid to late May, optimising yield and quality at harvest. While producing exceptional yield and quality, the Drinagh Superior Silage mixture also delivers on persistency and longevity.

All varieties in the mix have excellent Spring and Autumn growth, providing good grazing options also.



# Drinagh Reclamation & Heavy Land

VARIETY	PLOIDY	QUANTITY
AberChoice	Late Diploid	4.5kg
Ballyvoy	Late Diploid	4.5kg
Balintoy	Late Tetraploid	2.4kg
Clover Blend		0.6kg
		<b>12kg</b>

This mixture is intended for peaty or heavy soils. By carefully selecting a blend of certified varieties with a strong emphasis on ground cover and persistency, a very dense, thick sward can be established. This can result in extra performance and output on even the most challenging of soils.

## Mixtures to Order

Drinagh can cater for specialized mixtures using any combination of grass seeds from the Irish Recommended List. These mixtures can include:

- Hybrid grasses • Monocultures (single variety)
- Overseeding mixtures • GLAS approved mixtures
- Amenity mixtures are also available in store (suitable for lawns, parks, etc.)



# Clover for Derogation Farms

As part of the current measures of the Nitrates Action Programme 2017-2021, clover must be incorporated in new reseeds for all derogation farms.

## Inclusion Rates:

- A minimum of 1.5kg/ha naked clover seed OR 2.5kg/ha of pelleted clover seed is required for all new grass reseeds
- Either white (grazing) or red (cutting) or mixture of clovers can be used

**To overcome challenges related to weed control especially with docks and chickweed, over-sowing of grass seed mixtures with clover will be permitted provided it is completed in the same year of reseeding.**

**Please note the Drinagh Superior Silage and D74 NO Clover do not contain any clover. Derogation farms must either add clover to the grass seed at sowing or by over-sowing with clover.**

## Over-sowing clover into an existing sward

Over-sowing into an existing sward requires a rate of 2.0 kg/acre (3.5 kg pelleted clover) to allow clover to compete with the existing sward. Pelleted (coated) clover can improve the establishment of white clover in over-sowing situations. The coating contains beneficial ingredients to aid faster germination and provide more energy to the seed.

## Key Points

1. Soil must be visible – do not over-sow into a thick matt of grass. If the seed doesn't have enough contact with soil, it will not germinate.
2. Control weeds before you consider over-sowing clover.
3. Over-sow clover in April–June. Ideally after a silage harvest or a tight grazing
4. Soil moisture is critically important once sown. Over sowing will be less successful if sown when entering a dry period.

## If using a fertiliser spreader:

- Clover seed can be broadcast with one bag of 0:7:30 per acre
- To minimise the risk of segregation, only mix the required amount of seed and fertiliser on-site in the field designated for the seed. Sow a maximum of 5 acres at a time.
- Spread in 2 directions – up & down the field and then across the field
- If desired, apply watery slurry after sowing.

## Post sowing management:

- Graze about 10 days after over sowing and graze every 2 weeks for the next 3 grazings.
- Do not apply nitrogen (ideally skip nitrogen for the rest of the year, but at least for 2 rounds).



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