Variety Description

Variety	CHIMERA
Botanical name	Festulolium
Ploidy	4
Seeding rate	25–30 kg/ha
Distance between rows	as cereals
Sowing period	April to August
Sowing depth	1–2 cm



Agronomic figures*:

Heading	5
Development after sowing	7
Tendency to winterkilling	4
Tendency to lodging	3
Susceptibility to rust	4
Sward density	5
DM-yield total	6
DM-yield first cut	7
DM-yield in aftermath	6
Persistence	7

Clarification of figures*:
1: very early, very low / 5: medium / 9: very late, very high

*** Source:** Cultivator calssification

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CHIMERA is a Festulolium variety resulting from a cross between Festuca pratensis and Lolium perenne, registered in Slovenia. The variety is characterized by very vigorous early growth and rapid establishment of the stand. Even in its early stages of development, CHIMERA produces high yields and impresses with its pronounced biomass production, resulting in a particularly high-yielding first cut. In addition, CHIMERA is healthy, disease-resistant, and highly reliable. Thanks to its good forage quality and balanced performance profile, the variety is ideally suited as a component in high-quality, high-yielding forage mixtures.

Most important characteristics

High persistence
Good stability
Low tendency to winterkilling
Low susceptibility to rust

Usage

Festulolium is known as an intergeneric hybrid of Festuca and Lolium. The objective of the hybridisation was to combine the advantages of both species. The focus was on properties like persistence, winter-hardiness and yield.