

# Variety Description

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## ZAMBA

Species	Annual ryegrass
Botanical name	<i>Lolium multiflorum</i> ssp. <i>westerwoldicum</i>
Ploidy	4
Seeding rate	40–45 kg/ha
Distance between rows	as cereals
Sowing period	April onwards
Sowing depth	1–2 cm

### Agronomic figures\*:

Heading	5
Catch crop: Mass formation after sowing	6
Catch crop: Tendency to lodging	4
Catch crop: Susceptibility to rust	3
Catch crop: Susceptibility to mildew	-
Catch crop: DM-yield first cut	6
Main crop: Mass formation after sowing	6
Main crop: DM-yield total	6
Main crop: DM-yield first cut	5
Main crop: DM-yield in aftermath	7



### Clarification of figures\*:

1: very early, very low / 5: medium / 9: very late, very high

\* **Source:** cultivator information

## Kurzbeschreibung der Sorte

The annual ryegrass ZAMBA is an all-rounder in short-lived field forage production. It can be used as a catch crop and achieve high yields in the first cut, or it can impress in main crop cultivation with its yield performance in subsequent cuts. In addition, ZAMBA is characterised by good stability, high mass formation at the beginning and low susceptibility to rust infections. □

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## Die wichtigsten Eigenschaften auf einen Blick

Ideal yield characteristics as an intermediate and main crop  
High stability  
Good rust resistance  
High mass formation in the early stages

## Bemerkungen

Annual ryegrass belongs to the family of short-lived ryegrasses, as it forms stem shoots in the year it is sown. It is bred for two purposes: 1. as a catch crop after the grain harvest; 2. for annual arable fodder production with multiple uses, sometimes in combination with Italian ryegrass.

