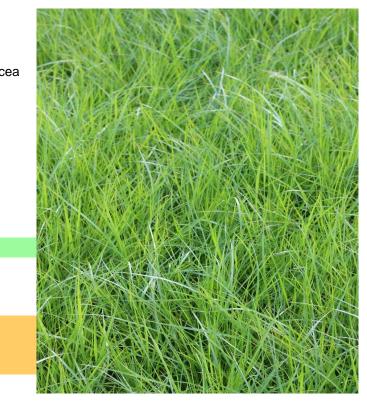
Variety Description

OTARIA

Variety

	Species	Tall fescue
	Botanical name	Festuca arundinac
	Ploidy	hexaploid
	Seeding rate	30 kg/ha
	Distance between rows	as cereals
	Sowing period	April to August
	Sowing depth	1–2 cm
Agronomic figures*:		
	Panicle formation	4
	Development after sowing	5
	Tendency to winterkilling	5
	Susceptibility to rust	3
	Sward density	6
	DM-yield total	5
	DM-yield first cut	4
	DM-yield in aftermath	6



Clarification of figures*:

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

* Source: Bundessortenamt [Federal Plant Variety Office] 2018, state variety tests

Variety descriptionThe tall fescue variety OTARIA is characterised by very fine leaves and therefore
belongs to the "soft leaf" group. The plant is almost entirely free of the jagged
ligules often found on the leaf blades of tall fescue, which makes it more
appealing to animals. In addition, OTARIA exhibits good mass formation after
sowing, with outstanding sward density and exceptionally low susceptibility to
rust.

Most important characteristics Even yield distribution Excellent sward density Low susceptibility to rust

Usage

Tall fescue is characterised by high resilience. It is a persistent grass and grows up to 1 m high. With better care and maintenance, it could grow to more that 1.5 m high. Tall fescues are often found in damp grasslands and wet areas. It is extraordinarily winter-hardy and holds well against both wet and dry conditions.

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