

Forage Max COVER CROP

Key Features

Fall Forage Max is a blend of oats, barley, lentils, peas, radish, turnip and forage brassica designed to be planted late summer into fall, then winter terminate. This eliminates the need for spring termination of a cover crop and requires little or no tillage before planting the current cash crop. It is highly unlikely to make it through the winter! Great for a first-time cover crop. Offers tremendous diversity.

- ▶ The oats bring slower release of nutrients while the radish will release nutrients quicker to the current growing crop. Peas are excellent nitrogen-fixing plants and will provide a good source of nitrogen to build organic matter (OM) with the value that the sulfur brings forth.
- ▶ Best if planted by early September preceding corn production. Makes excellent forage for late fall and early winter grazing.

Seeding Rate

- ▶ 40-90 lbs/acre aerial.
 - ▶ 35-80 lbs/acre broadcasting.
 - ▶ 25-45 lbs/acre drilling.
- Increase seeding rate for forage usage.

Planting Time

- ▶ Mid-July through Mid-September

Management

Fall Forage Max was developed for beginning cover crop producers who want to speed up biological diversity in their soil. This cover crop is easily managed in the spring due to winterkill. Fall Forage Max can produce a lot of biomass and can provide an excellent late fall grazing option. Prairie Creek Seed recommends to increase the seeding rate when Alamo is used for fall forage and to suppress weed growth. Alamo can prevent fall weed growth and produce nitrogen (N) for the next cash crop. It can capture excess nutrients in the soil and release them for next cash crop to utilize. For adding diversity to soil health or to prevent erosion producers can use lower seeding rates.



Components	
Oats	
Spring Barley	
Peas	
Lentils	
Radish	
Turnips	
Hybrid Forage Brassica	
Usage Reference	
Summer N Fixation	3
Fall N Scavenging	5
Speed of Nutrient Release	3
Wind Erosion	5
Water Erosion	5
Compaction Alleviation	5
Organic Matter Builder	4
Winter Survivability	0
Graze	5
Scale 1-5 (1 = Poor, 5 = Excellent)	

