



BLUE HORNET
SHEEP FESCUE

A TRUE TETRAPLOID SHEEP FESCUE

- **ULTRA-LOW MAINTENANCE**
- **VERY HIGH SHOOT DENSITY**
- **SUMMER PERSISTENCE**
- **IMPROVED PERFORMANCE IN POOR SOILS**

Introducing **Blue Hornet**, Mountain View Seeds' first taxonomically true tetraploid Sheep Fescue (*Festuca ovina*)! Unique from most other Sheep Fescue cultivars selected from hard fescue color genotype selections, **Blue Hornet** contains a double set of chromosomes that allows seed to germinate rapidly, but grow extremely slow under little or no inputs. **Blue Hornet** has improved adaptability to heat and marginal soils while also exhibiting better persistence in drought. Use it in shade, natural areas, and mixed with other fine fescue species. See what the BUZZ is about: Try **Blue Hornet** Sheep Fescue!

2018 PEAK PLANT GENETICS DATA

VARIETY	ESTABLISHMENT OCT. 2018	SPRING GREEN UP	GENETIC COLOR
BLUE HORNET	6.3	5.7	8.0
MINIMUS	6.3	4.3	7.7
SWORD	5.0	4.0	6.7
HARPOON	6.0	3.3	7.7
BLUE MESA	5.3	4.0	6.7
LSD	1.2	1.2	1.1

2018 PEAK PLANT GENETICS PRIVATE TRIAL, ALBANY, OR

2017 CTBT DATA

VARIETY	WINTER TURF QUALITY
BLUE HORNET	6.00
BIGHORN	6.00
EUREKA II	5.67
LSD	0.91

2017 COOPERATIVE TURFGRASS BREEDERS TEST, CANBY, OR FINE FESCUE TRIAL

2015 PEAK PLANT GENETICS DATA

VARIETY	2-YEAR AVG. TURF QUALITY	2-YEAR AVG. TURF DENSITY	2-YEAR AVG. COLOR	DROUGHT TOLERANCE
BLUE HORNET	3.6	5.5	5.9	4.3
AURORA	3.7	4.8	4.9	3.7
SPARTAN II	3.5	4.3	5.1	4.7
RHINO	3.2	4.0	6.2	3.7
CHARIOT	3.2	4.0	6.1	3.7
QUATRO	2.8	4.7	5.8	3.7
LSD	0.6	0.9	0.8	1.8

2015 PEAK PLANT GENETICS PRIVATE TRIAL, ALBANY, OR

SEEDING For New Turf, plant at 4 - 6 lbs/1,000sq.ft. (20 - 29 gr/m²) or 200 - 250 lbs/acre (225 - 285 kgs/Ha)

If seeding Naturalized or Ornamental Areas 2 lbs/1,000 sq.ft. (10 gr/m²) or ~90 lbs/acre (100 kgs/Ha)

Blue Hornet will germinate in around 7-12 days, and mowing can begin 2-4 weeks from blade emergence.

MAINTENANCE Sheep Fescue, while versatile for planting locations, grows very slowly and cannot handle lowered mowing heights of under 3 inches. Mowing is minimal, but mow as necessary, removing no more than 1/3 of the leaf. At a minimum, fertilize annually with 1 to 2 lbs of nitrogen per 1000 sq. ft. in a balanced formulation.

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