



NZ BROWN TOP BENTGRASS

var. PUNAWAI

NZ Brown Top is a fine leafed, dense bentgrass that adapts to climates with moderate year round temperatures.

Punawai creeping browntop has underground rhizomes with fine green leaves and a strong growth habit. It will survive in a wide range of pH situations and shows good disease resistance.

Punawai withstands variable cutting heights and shows good recovery in high wear situations from its strong root structure.

Uses:

Punawai can be used on home lawns and general turf areas where persistence and ability to recover from damage is a requirement.

Areas of Adaptation:

Punawai will tolerate harsh winters but is best at temperatures below 28°C with low humidity.

Establishment:

NZ Brown Top can be seeded from 1–2kg per 100m² depending on the application. Cover seed to a depth not exceeding 6mm and keep seedlings moist until well rooted. Germination will take place in 7–15 days depending on soil temperatures. Oversow existing turf surfaces at about half the new seeding rate.

Maintenance:

The first mowing may be expected within 30 days. Mow at a height of 19mm or lower until turf is established. Limited use of the area can be expected in 6 weeks.

NZ Brown Top performs best in soils with a pH of 5.5 to 8. It has a moderate nitrogen requirement. NZ Brown Top's optimum mowing height is 4.5–8mm but can be adjusted higher or lower depending upon maintenance practices and intended use. NZ Brown Top performs best on a sandy soil and tolerates clay soils with adequate drainage.

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