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COVER CROP DESCRIPTION

A cross between rye and wheat, with characteristics intermediate between the two. High biomass yield potential is similar to wheat and rye. Matures later than rye, a little later than wheat. Plant height at heading is shorter than rye. Therefore, spring residue is easier to manage than rye and (assuming same kill date) C:N ratio will be slightly lower than rye. Triticale feed quality is generally better than rye, but not as good as wheat (i.e. chop triticale for silage at boot stage). Spring triticale varieties do not require vernalization (overwintering) to flower and may be less cold hardy than winter triticale varieties if planted in the fall.





Triticale, Spring - Salon [2020]

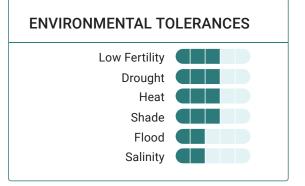
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GOALS

Growing Window Medium Nitrogen Scavenging Lasting Residue Prevent Fall Soil Erosion Prevent Spring Soil Erosion Forage Harvest Value

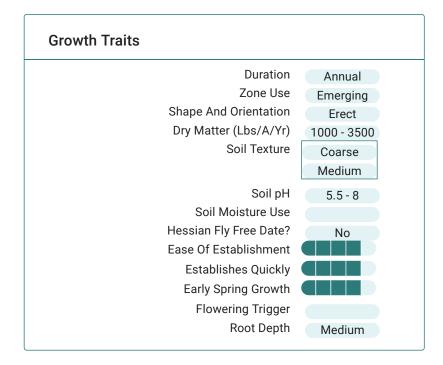
Penetrates Plow Pan **Reduces Surface Compaction** Improve Soil Organic Matter Increase Soil Aggregation **Good Grazing** Pollinator Food

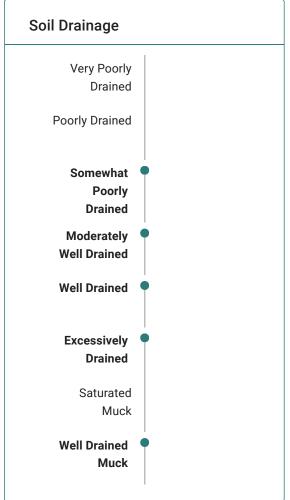
WEEDS Residue Suppresses Summer Annual Weeds **Outcompetes Summer Annual Weeds** Suppresses Winter Annual Weeds Persistence Volunteer Establishment

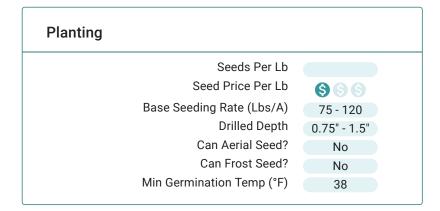


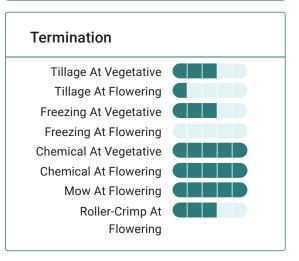


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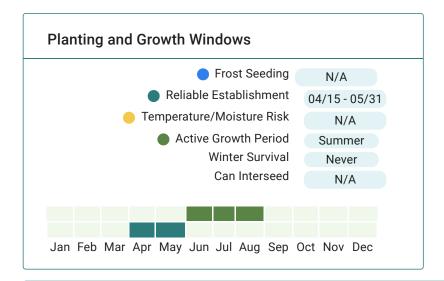








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Extended Comments

Basic Agronomics: Dry matter highly dependent on planting and termination date and precipitation.

Weeds: Seed is more expensive than wheat or rye but it makes better animal forage. Can become a weed if not completely terminated; may be difficult to terminate with tillage; best if terminated when plants are small except when rolling/crimping; Mow-kills after heading; Terminate at least 2 weeks before planting corn.

Nematodes: Non host for soybean cyst nematode and root knot nematode. Host for Penetrans Root-Lesion Nematode.

References & Resources