



## Technical Data and Information Product Sheet

### SUPERIOR NATIVE SOD

#### DESCRIPTION

A mixture of California native grasses that exhibit extensive root systems and grow in a wide range of soil types and conditions. It can be used in a variety of landscape situations as a low water use alternative to other turf and ground cover areas. It can be either mowed or left un-mowed.

#### CHARACTERISTICS

##### Features

- All California native grasses
- All perennial grasses
- Excellent seedling vigor
- Extensive root system
- Grows in sun and light shade

##### Benefits

- No non-native invasive species
- Longer lived stand
- Fast establishment
- Reduces soil erosion
- Multi-use

#### USES

*Turfgrass	* Bioswales	*Roadsides	*Slopes
* Erosion Control	*Commercial Sites	*Medians	*Parks

#### CULTURAL INFORMATION

##### Water Requirements

The native grasses in this mixture will withstand prolonged periods of drought. If some green vegetation is desired then supplemental summer irrigation is necessary. If no summer irrigation is provided the grasses will become a dormant golden color and green up in the fall with rainfall. It is recommended that supplemental irrigation is supplied through one summer season in order for the grasses to establish deep root systems.

##### Climate Conditions

This mixture is suitable for foothill, valley and coastal regions of California.

## Soil Conditions

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This mixture performs best in clay or sandy soils with a pH range of 5.5 to 8.5.

## Fertilization

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While fertilizer on native grasses is not critical it is recommended to promote growth and increase establishment. Fertilize during periods of active growth in Spring and Fall with a balanced fertilizer. Avoid using products with high nitrogen (N) content as such use increases water use. Apply no more than 4 pounds of N per 1,000 square feet per year.

## Mowing

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It is not necessary to mow the All-Purpose Mixture but it can be mowed if a neater look is desired. Mowing height should be no lower than 2 inches. Never mow more than 1/3 of the leaf blade on a mowing cycle.

## SPECIFICATIONS

### NATIVE ALL-PURPOSE SEED MIXTURE:

**Molate Creeping Red Fescue** (*Festuca rubra 'Molate'*). Perennial, cool season, fine textured native bunch grass that also spreads by rhizomes. An attractive ornamental grass either mown or unmown. Popular for natural landscapes and low maintenance buffer areas.

**California Barley** (*Hordeum californicum*). Perennial, cool season, California native bunch grass. Loose green foliage. Exhibits good mowing tolerance and grows in full sun to light shade. Salt tolerant.

**Purple Needlegrass** (*Nasella pulchra*). Perennial, cool season bunch grass. Official California State Grass. Once established, it is tolerant to extreme heat and drought. Attractive and interesting seed panicles with a purple cast. Widely distributed.

**California Brome** (*Bromus carinatus*). Perennial, cool season. Quick establishing bunchgrass that is competitive with herbaceous weeds. Summer dormant.

**Tufted Hairgrass** (*Deschampsia cespitosa*) Perennial, cool season bunch grass. California native. A densely tufted, fine textured, dark green grass. A large, densely-tufted coarse bunchgrass.

**Thingrass** (*Agrostis pallens*). Perennial, cool season. A native rhizomatous bentgrass that grows in sun or shade.

### Additional information:

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