



WHITE BUFFALO (PANICUM MAXIMUM) GATTON

OVERVIEW

This variety is a leafier grass than Smuts finger grass and has a higher production potential in specific areas. The indications are that it also makes superior foggage. Excellent Palatability and disease tolerance. Longevity (years) is 10+.

GATTON grows in most soil types providing they are well-drained, moist and fertile, although some varieties are tolerant of lower fertility and poorer drainage. Tolerance of low soil pH and high Al+++ saturation is also variable. 'Vencedor' and 'Centenário' were bred for these tolerances; other varieties require liming on acid ultisols and oxisols for best results. The species is generally intolerant of water-logging or salinity.

It is important to keep in mind that this variety requires fertile soils, is intolerant of water-logging, intolerant of heavy grazing and becomes stemmy in not cut out grazed frequently.

- Very leafy
- High quality feed
- High production potential
- Readily eaten by all stock
- Suited to grazing and cutting
- Drought tolerant
- Early season growth in some lines

