

Profile

GOLDWELL is an exceptional new variety, particularly suited to grazing systems and as a Milk Index variety impressing with outstanding sugar contents in DSV internal and official French VCU trials (+4,5%). The variety does take some time to establish, but once it has, outclasses all other intermediate diploid varieties. Originating from DSV France breeding material, GOLDWELL has best grazing yield in late summer and autumn at 106% and 109%, what we anticipate becoming an ever more useful trait with the occurrence of hotter and drier summers. This perseverance allows GOLDWELL to yield well in silage managements after the first harvest year, seen by the total yield year 3 result at 3% above the intermediate diploid mean on the England & Wales recommended list.

National listing/Official recommendation:

FR, UK

- ✓ Milk Index variety due to highest sugar content
- particularly suited for grazing systems
- ✓ very high grazing yield in late summer and autumn



Suitability

Ploidy	diploid
Maturity	inter

Grazing management

Grazing yield (% of 9.03 t DM/ha)	103
Grazing D-value	77.3
ME yield (% of 112 000 MJ/ha)	103
Ground cover % (grazing)	71



Conservation management

Total yield year 1 (% of 15.83 t DM/ha)	100
1st and 2nd cut ME yield, first harvest year (% of 116 000 MJ/ha)	97
Total yield year 3 (% of 11.96 t DM/ha)	104
Total yield: Mean (% of 14.08 t DM/ha)	102
Ground cover % (conservation year 3)	66

Grazing seasonal growth

Early grazing yield (% of 1.37 t DM/ha)	97
Spring (% of 2.48 t DM/ha)	102
Early Summer (% of 3.14 t DM/ha)	99
Late Summer (% of 2.18 t DM/ha)	106
Autumn (% of 1.33 t DM/ha)	109

Conservation: seasonal growth - Year 1

1st cut (% of 6.76 t DM/ha)	94
1st cut D-value	70.2
2nd cut (% of 3.28 t DM/ha)	104
2nd cut D-value	73.4
3rd cut (% of 2.75 t DM/ha)	106
4th+ cut (% of 2.95 t DM/ha)	102

Agronomic characters

Disease resistance

Crown rust (1-9, 1=poor 9=good)	6.0
Drechslera (1-9, 1=poor 9=good)	6.0
Mildew (1-9, 1=poor 9=good)	5.9

Source: AHDB Recommended grass and clover list for England and Wales 2025/2026

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