



SHAKIRA

ITALIAN RYEGRASS

Profile

SHAKIRA is an interesting diploid Italian ryegrass with an early heading date. It shows good early spring growth and a high 1st conservation cut in the 1st harvest year. SHAKIRA is a healthy variety with high resistance against the ryegrass mosaic virus.

National listing/Official recommendation:
DE, UK

- ✓ early heading yielder
- ✓ good early spring growth
- ✓ healthy variety

General

Ploidy	diploid
Heading date	19/05
Recommended List status	G - General use
Year First Listed	2012

Total annual yields

1st harvest year (% of 16.99 t/ha)	100
2nd harvest year (% of 13.42 t/ha)	101
Total yield: Mean (% of 15.21 t/ha)	101
1st and 2nd cut ME yield, first harvest year (% of 111 000 MJ/ha)	100
Year of Sowing (% of 1.84 t/ha)	92

Conservation seasonal growth - year 1

Early spring growth (% of 1.80 t/ha)	101
1st conservation cut (% of 6.00 t/ha)	101
1st conservation cut D-Value	70.9
2nd conservation cut (% of 4.04 t/ha)	103
2nd conservation cut D-Value	64.8
Monthly cuts (% of 5.27 t/ha)	97

Agronomic characters

Ground Cover% (1st harvest year)	60
Ground Cover% (2nd harvest year)	47
Winter Hardiness (1-9, 1=poor 9=good)	7.3

Disease resistance

Ryegrass mosaic virus (1-9, 1=poor 9=good)	6.2
Mildew (1-9, 1=poor 9=good)	7.2
Brown Rust (1-9, 1=poor 9=good)	6.9
Crown Rust (1-9, 1=poor 9=good)	6.2

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

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