

### **Positioning/Managment**

Cuf 101 Alfalfa is a very non-dormant variety released by the University of California. Principal areas of use are: Low desert valleys of southern California, southern Arizona, southern Nevada, southern New Mexico and southern Old Mexico. Also a popular variety is similar climates in other parts of the world. Good quality hay and forage. Can become somewhat stemmy in older stands.

## **Primary Uses**

- Silage
- Hay
- Occasional Grazing

#### **Potential Yield**

At maturity Alfalfa can produce a huge amount of green biomass, capable of putting back up to 10 tons per acre into the soil at plowdown. The amount of green matter along with alfalfa's extensive nitrogen fixing root system, generates 150-250 pounds of nitrogen per acre. It also serves as a great forage crop for animals

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### **Annual Management**

Alfalfa likes well-drained soils with a pH above 6.0. In gardens, prepare as you would a lawn with a fine and firm seed bed. The seed prefers good soil contact; sow about 1/4-1/2 inch. Roll with a lawn roller. Can be spring or late summer sown. You must plant 6-8 weeks before the first killing frost in the late summer to allow good establishment going into winter. Sow 1/2 pound per 1000 square feet; 12-15 pounds per acre. Great for sowing between crop rotations as a high nitrogen producing cover crop.

### **Planting Rate**

Sow 1/2 pound per 1000 square feet; 12-15 pounds per acre. Great for sowing between crop rotations as a high nitrogen producing cover crop. Pre-inoculated.

