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### Positioning/Management

Vernal Alfalfa is a perennial that can be planted as a cover crop and will attract wildlife to the area. It is also good for livestock and wildlife forage. Vernal Alfalfa can be planted Spring, Summer or Fall in average soil moisture. It is extremely drought tolerant and will tolerate sandy, loamy, or dry soil types.

### 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



# Vernal Alfalfa

### Annual Management

Vernal 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. Pre-inoculated.

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