

OVERVIEW

MONA is a new tetraploid Italian ryegrass bred by DLF Seeds in New Zealand. The objectives in the breeding programme and testing were to develop a cultivar with improved production in all seasons, and the ability to produce for two or more years in favorable climates.

Testing has confirmed that MONA is at least as good as the best cultivars for production and survival.

An added benefit of MONA is its very late heading date (+28 days). This extends the period in spring when farmers can graze or cut very leafy and high quality forage by up to one month.

Winter and early spring growth is not compromised by the late heading.

- Excellent annual production
- Good winter growth
- Strong tolerance to insects (black beetle and ASW)
- Extended feed quality (+24 day heading date)
- Excellent animal performance and safety



MEAN YEILD OF TETRAPLOID ITALIAN RYEGRASSES OVER TWO YEARS (2012-2015)

