

KENTUCKY BLUEGRASS

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DESCRIPTIONS

Aggressive Type	This group is recognized for its aggressive lateral growth habit and development of a turf with very high shoot density. Examples are Limousine, Julius, P-104 and Touchdown.
America Type	Within the Compact Type a number of varieties exhibit growth and performance similar to America. These varieties have fine leaf texture and higher tiller density than other compact type varieties. America types in contrast to Midnight compact types have good resistance to powder mildew.
Bellevue Type	Turf with medium to low growth, medium to wide leaves and medium density. Excellent cool-season vigor exists in this group, which is evident by excellent color retention and turf quality during winter and early spring green-up. This group has good recovery to summer stress, good resistance to stripe smut disease but is highly susceptible to bill bug damage.
BVMG Type	Baron, Victa, Merit, Gnome types: This group has high seed yield potential and generally produces medium to good quality turf in the absence of stripe smut. The BVMG types generally are very stemmy in early spring. This group also has poor winter color, long winter dormancy and suffers from significant billbug damage.
CELA Type	Challenger, Eclipse, Liberty, Adelphi
Cheri Type	They will produce a turf of medium-low growth and medium density with medium wide leaves. These cultivars have moderate resistance to stripe smut and are moderately susceptible to dollar spot. Seed yield potential of these cultivars is relatively high.
Common Type	Generally erect growing types with narrow leaf blades. All common types are susceptible to leaf spot disease and may be extensively damaged by this disease during the cool, humid conditions of winter and spring.
Compact Type	Low compact growth and good leaf spot resistance. This group has long winter dormancy (except P-105) and good stripe smut resistance. Examples are Diva, Moonlight, P-105, Blackstone, Apex, Glade, Alpine.
Julia Type	These cultivars form a high quality turf, but have moderate winter performance. They also exhibit good resistance to leaf spot but can be damaged significantly by brown patch.
Mid-Atlantic Type	This group forms vigorous turf of medium density with deep, extensive root and rhizome system. This group has moderate susceptibility to leaf spot, but has excellent ability to recover from leaf spot and other stress due to the deep extensive rhizomes system. This group has great tolerance to heat and summer stress. Examples: Eagleton, Preakness, and Livingston.
Midnight Type	Within the Compact Type family, this group has very long winter dormancy, late spring green-up, very dark green turf color, good heat tolerance, but are susceptible to powdery mildew. Examples are Ginney, Alexa, Midnight, NuGlade, Quantum Leap, Total Eclipse, Award and others.
Shamrock Type	Similar to the BVMG types with high seed yield potential, but unlike the BVMG types, Shamrock types exhibit good resistance to stripe smut. Examples, Guinness, Champagne, Brooklawn.