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Winter 2019



The Finest Winter Fertilizer

21-7-14 Turf Royale™



Use Turf Royale™ (21-7-14) fertilizer for Fescue, Bakersfield Mix, or Winter Ryegrass lawns. This is a high quality, homogenous prill that contains 50% immediately available nitrate nitrogen. Turf Royale™ will green your lawn rapidly and is so soluble it will break down even in the dew. Nitrate nitrogen is crucial during winter because the soil organisms work slower in cool weather. Turf Royale™ should be applied around Thanksgiving and again New Year's Day.

\$39 / 50# bag (covers 10,000 sq. ft.)

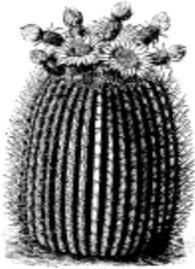
\$21 / 25# bag (covers 5,000 sq. ft.)

\$12 / 10# bag (covers 2,000 sq. ft.)

To maintain a green lawn in the winter it takes more than just nitrogen. Phosphorus, potassium, and iron are also necessary. Turf Royale™ gives you more phosphorus and potassium than any other winter fertilizer. If iron is needed, consider using F.S.T.™ or A.M.P.™ which are micro-nutrient products.

Note: If soil temperatures get too cold, Perennial Ryegrass will temporarily go "dormant." If this happens, no amount of fertilizer will green it up until the soil warms up.

Remember to Water Your Dormant Bermuda Lawn



Bakersfield could nearly be considered a desert town (and our periodic droughts really remind us of this.) Any place that gets less than five inches of rain a year is considered a desert (we get 6+ inches on average). This means that you have to water your lawn in the winter, even if it is dormant Bermuda. Normally we receive enough rainfall during the winter months. But, if it turns dry for several weeks in a row, turn on the water. Roots can be damaged if the soil dries out. Roots will need roughly ½" of irrigation per week.

We have small rain/sprinkler gauges that you can use to put on your lawn to test the amount of water your sprinklers are putting out. We will help you properly calibrate your sprinklers according to the season and according to the plant, tree, or lawn.



A Surprising Note: Dormant bermuda requires the same amount of water as ryegrass.

Excellent Gloves for Rose and Citrus Pruning



These gloves have been tested for thorn resistance and they win against other leather gloves. Several of these cuffs are elbow length so the long gloves protect more of the arm. One set is designed for a woman's hands, so the gloves feel great to wear. Other sets are made to fit a man's hand. We have several varieties from which to choose.

\$17-\$34



Frost Protection

We have a variety of frost tents to help you protect your plants from the frost. We also sell 7' by 7' burlap blanket (\$8).



Cloud Cover™ is another excellent option for frost protection. Cloud Cover™ is a liquid spray providing a protective coating that will lock in the moisture so your trees, shrubs, and flowers will make it through the cold months. Best results will be obtained when Cloud Cover™ is applied 24 to 48 hours before drought/wind/heat, frost/freeze, or transplant shock occurs. Make sure to hydrate your plants well before using Cloud Cover™. A quart is \$22 while a gallon is \$64.

WINTER WEED CONTROL

PRE-EMERGENTS (before the weeds germinate)



In Fescue, Bakersfield Mix, and established Winter Rye lawns ("established" means mowed at least 4 times), use 0-0-5 + pre-m for grassy type weeds and some broadleaf weeds. Use Bayer Season Long™ or Gallery™ for specific control of broadleaf weeds like dandelions, oxalis, and burweed. 0-0-5 + pre-m and Gallery™ can also be used in flowerbeds. For non-crop and larger areas, we have several different options, ranging from granules to spread or concentrates to spray.



POST-EMERGENTS (after the weeds germinate)

In Fescue, Bakersfield Mix, or Winter Ryegrass lawns, existing broadleaf weeds can be controlled with an application of Weed-Free Zone™ or Trimec™. In dormant (i.e., non-overseeded Bermuda) lawns use a tank mix of Trimec™ and Diquat™ to kill weeds. In flower beds use either glyphosate (generic "RoundUp") very carefully for broadleaf and grassy type weeds or use an "over-the-top" selective herbicide (such as Grass Getter™) for grassy type weeds only. In non-crop areas, use Round-Up Quick Pro™ for the fast elimination of weeds in cold weather.

NOTE: If you have broadleaf weeds in your flowerbeds, the careful use of glyphosate is your only option, other than pulling by hand.

WINTER FUNGUS CONTROL



The main fungus disease that attacks winter lawns is called Pink Snow Mold (Fusarium Patch). Spring Dead Spot may be a problem due to the use of Annual Rye or poorly preparing lawns for dormancy (or cool weather). These problems are caused by several fungi. These fungi are only active in cold temperatures and when we have a lot of moisture that stays on the lawn most of the day. This is typical



during foggy and cloudy, overcast days here in the valley. Annual Ryegrass is more susceptible to the disease than Perennial Ryegrass. Pink Snow Mold can be prevented with an application of Spectracide Immunox™ (a liquid) or Bayer Fungus Control for Lawns™ (a granular). As with all fungicide applications, a preventative application is best and an application of 7-20-20 "Trophy Blend" is suggested at the same time to protect the grass roots. Fungicides can be applied after the emergence of the disease but recovery will take longer. If you had the problem last year, you will probably have it again this year. Know that fungicides alone will not cure these problems.

ROUND-UP QUICK PRO™



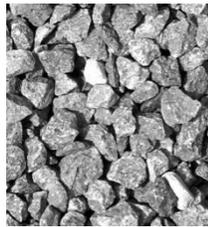
Round-Up Quick Pro™ contains glyphosate and diquat dibromide (a "sunlight" activated, non-selective, top burn herbicide) for a faster kill in the cold. There are five individual packets, each making one gallon of solution. This product is not available at the box stores. Gardener's Supply is a licensed pesticide dealer: this means we can sell products that other stores cannot.

\$22

POOR DRAINAGE

If you have poor drainage, use Aqueduct™ or Respond 3™. Aqueduct™ is a soil surfactant that will open up the top 4"-6" of soil to allow water penetration. It works very quickly and very well, but it does break down in time, and it will need to be reapplied monthly or as needed.

Respond 3™ is a liquid equivalent at a more cost-effective price. A 5# bag of Aqueduct™ costs \$31 and covers 2,000 sq. ft. An 8oz bottle of Respond 3™ costs \$13 and also covers 2,000 sq. ft. If you wish to have a more permanent fix, drill holes with an auger to a depth of 24" (or more) and back-fill with pea gravel. The more holes you drill, the greater the "drainage field" that you create. This is time and energy consumptive, but it gives greater and more permanent results (and it is not very expensive, save for your time).



HOLIDAY HOURS

CHRISTMAS - CLOSED DECEMBER 24th-25th
NEW YEARS DAY - CLOSED JANUARY 1st, 2020

Erosion Control



We carry a selection of straw blankets and barriers to help combat erosion, as we enter our rainy season.

YardTek Straw Blanket (8' x 112.5'): \$69
YardTek Excelsior Blanket (4' x 40'): \$30



We carry silt fences, too.
YardTek Silt Fence (3' x 100'): \$37
(It comes with the stakes attached).

