



# MIDNIGHTSTAR

## KENTUCKY BLUEGRASS

Kentucky Bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*)

*With extremely dark green color, derived from world-famous Midnight Kentucky bluegrass, Midnight Star is a truly unique Kentucky bluegrass variety.*

*A Midnight-hybrid with improved seed yield and excellent rust resistance, Midnight Star blends with the darkest of the elite bluegrasses for improved turf quality.*

*Home lawns / Commercial turf • Sports turf at or above 0.5”  
Parks / Recreation / Cemeteries • Golf course fairways and roughs  
For premium and economical mixes*



**TURFSEED**

## Growth Habit and Characteristics:

- Tested as PST-A6-214
- Low, spreading growth habit / moderately aggressive / medium leaf width
- Very uniform, moderately dense turf with extremely dark green color
- Performs well in a wide range of well-drained soils, pH 5.5 – 7.5

## Performance Characteristics / Adaptations:

- Very good performance throughout traditional range of Kentucky bluegrass
- Very good summer performance in the Southeast
- Very good summer and fall density
- Very good performance at cutting heights at or above 1.0"
- Very good disease tolerance, including stripe rust and Rhizoctonia sheath spot
- Performs well in full sun to light shade
- Excellent in all cool season mixes / compatible with very dark elite Kentucky bluegrasses, including Midnight, Moonlight, Rita, and Blackstone

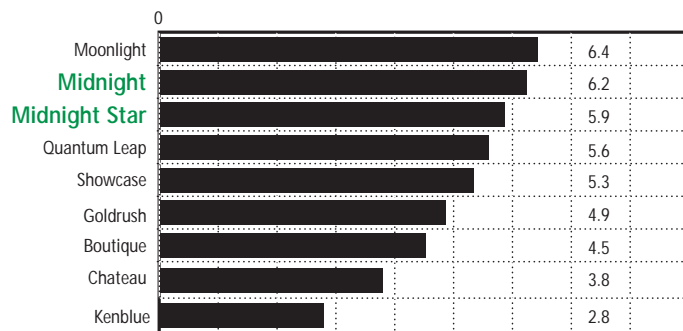
## Establishment and Maintenance:

- Seed at 2–3 lb per 1000 sq ft
- Early fall and spring seedings are best. Late spring / summer plantings not recommended in most locations
- Seedbed should be kept moist during germination and early establishment
- Germinates in 14–21 days with optimal soil temperatures, 55–80 degrees. Full coverage in 8–10 weeks
- First mowing recommended when turf reaches approximately 2" in height

## Established Turf Maintenance:

- For best performance, fertilize at an annual rate of 3–4 lb N / 1000 sq ft
- Deep, infrequent irrigation during the cooler months as needed / light, more frequent irrigations during the summer months in absence of rainfall
- Recommended mowing height: 0.5"–2.5"

2003 PST Research Book  
Table 34 • 2001-2002 Turf Quality • PST, Rolesville, NC  
141 entries 9 = ideal LSD 0.7



Green = Turf-Seed Varieties  
Selected varieties including highest and lowest.