Kentucky Bluegrass
*Poa pratensis*

Description
Perennial, dark green, sod-forming grass with rhizomes, grows 1 to 3 feet in seed head stage. Leaves are narrow and fine bladed with tips shaped like a boat’s bow.

Uses
Pasture, with limited use for hay.

Advantages
High quality, highly palatable, long-lived pasture plant. Tolerates close, frequent grazing better than most grasses. Forms tight sod.

Disadvantages
Low yields, low summer production, becomes dormant and brown during hot, dry summers. More susceptible to grubs and insects than other pasture grasses. Slow to establish. Limited adaptation area (central, northern, and northeastern Kentucky).

Seeding
Rate: 10-15 lb/a
Depth: 1/4-1/2 in
Primary Date: Aug 15-Oct 1
Secondary Date: Feb 1-Apr 15

Harvest
First harvest: May 1-May 15
Annual yield: 1-3 tons dry matter/a