

## Italian ryegrass (*Lolium multiflorum* Lam.) 2020

### Main characteristics of Italian ryegrass varieties<sup>1</sup>

Variety	Year of admission	Country of admission	Average date of flowering	Persistence (1-9) <sup>2</sup>	Rust-resistance (1-9) <sup>2</sup>	Absence of ear formation in 1st year (spring sow) (1-9) <sup>2</sup>	DM yield in autumn sow: 1st cut <sup>3</sup>	Total DM yield in autumn sow <sup>3</sup>	DM yield in spring sow year 1 <sup>3</sup>	Total DM yield in spring sow (year 1 + 2) <sup>3</sup>
<b>Diploid varieties</b>										
MERIBEL	1991	Belgium	12/May	7,2	5,6	5,8	92	103	93	100
BARELLI	2003	Belgium	15/May	7,0	6,7	7,0	96	103	99	101
LEMTAL RvP	1946	Belgium	15/May	6,8	5,6	5,8	95	103	89	95
MELFREDO	2016	Belgium	15/May	7,2	7,2	7,5	109	104	104	108
ZARASTRO	2000	Belgium	15/May	7,2	6,5	7,0	97	103	93	97
AEROS	2019	Belgium	16/May	7,0	7,4	7,0	105	103	103	104
MELPRIMO	2014	Belgium	16/May	6,9	7,3	7,8	98	107	100	105
MELCHIOR	2004	Belgium	18/May	6,9	6,9	8,0	94	102	100	103
MELCLIPS	2004	Belgium	19/May	7,2	6,8	7,0	90	107	99	104
<b>Tetraploid varieties</b>										
MEROA RvP	1995	Belgium	11/May	5,4	5,1	7,0	101	93	94	92
MERITRA RvP	1971	Belgium	12/May	5,3	5,5	6,5	104	93	90	89
BARMULTRA II	2008	Belgium	13/May	7,3	7,3	7,8	109	102	112	106
FEDRA	2002	Belgium	13/May	7,0	5,3	6,3	101	101	98	100
GEMINI	1996	Belgium	13/May	7,0	5,0	6,8	98	102	98	101
MELDELA	2016	Belgium	13/May	7,7	7,2	8,5	102	105	106	105
MESSINA	2016	Belgium	13/May	7,0	7,4	8,5	105	99	108	108
MELTOP	2008	Belgium	14/May	7,6	7,4	8,5	99	101	108	104
MELODIA	2015	Belgium	15/May	7,4	7,6	7,0	107	108	111	107
MELQUATRO	2004	Belgium	15/May	7,2	6,2	7,5	93	101	100	102
MELMIA	2009	Belgium	18/May	7,1	7,1	8,8	100	101	106	103

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2 The higher the number, the better

3 100 = average of all varieties on the ILVO variety list