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Crop details

Rye

Secale cereale

Family: Poaceae

Categories

Cereals & Pseudocereals

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Quick stats

Family	Poaceae
Typical harvest	2.0 t/ha
Varieties	1
Pests and diseases	1
Seasons	1

Crop profile

Growth habit	annual
Days to harvest	110-160
Main uses	Cereal grain; cover crop
Pollination	wind
Origin and where it grows	Temperate zones

Weather, soil and spacing

Best temperature	10 - 18 °C
Rainfall	450 - 700 mm/yr
Altitude	800 - 2600 m
Best pH	5.5 - 6.8
Soil type	Sandy loam to loam
Row spacing	20 cm
Plant spacing	5 cm
Planting depth	3 cm
Seed rate	70 kg/ha

Simple notes for farmers

About the crop: This crop is annual; it grows and is harvested in one season. Harvest typically starts about 110-160 days after planting.

Main use: Farmers mostly grow this crop for cereal grain; cover crop.

Pollination: Mainly wind; healthy flowers and pollinators improve fruit set.

Where it grows: Temperate zones. Grouped under: Cereals & Pseudocereals.

Best climate: 10 - 18 °C; 450 - 700 mm/yr; up to about 2600 m a.s.l.

Soil: Best at pH 5.5 - 6.8; sandy loam to loam.

Farmer guide (Mwongozo wa Mkulima)

Nutrient schedule (Mbolea kwa Hatua)

#	Stage	DAP	Product	Rate	Targets (kg/ha)	Notes
1	Basal	0	NPK 17-17-17	60 kg/ha	N: N/A, P ₂ O ₅ : N/A, K ₂ O: N/A	N/A
2	Tillering	35	Urea	40 kg/ha	N: N/A, P ₂ O ₅ : N/A, K ₂ O: N/A	N/A

Nutrient requirements

Nutrient	Stage	Amount	Unit
N	Basal	25	kg/ha
P ₂ O ₅	Basal	20	kg/ha
K ₂ O	Basal	20	kg/ha
N	Topdress	30	kg/ha

Field images



Varieties

Name	Country	Maturity (days)	Traits
Highland Rye	KE	140	Cool tolerant

Fertilizer recommendations

Stage	Product	Rate	Notes
Basal	NPK 17-17-17	60	

Pests and diseases

Name	Type	Symptoms	Management
Ergot	disease	Sclerotia in heads	Clean seed; rotation

Yields

System	Typical	Min	Max	Notes
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rained highland	2	1.2	3.5	
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Season calendars

<u>Country</u>	<u>Region</u>	<u>Planting</u>	<u>Harvest</u>
KE	Highlands	Jun-Jul	Oct-Dec

Region suitability

<u>Country</u>	<u>Region</u>	<u>Suitability</u>
KE	Highlands	Medium

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