

# MARATHON REED CANARYGRASS

- Leafy, high-yielding, perennial forage grass
- Widely adapted
- Performs well on wet, poorly-drained soils and soils with a pH below 6.0
- Very drought tolerant variety that can be used for hay, silage or pasture
- Low alkaloid

Marathon has short rhizomes that spread, creating a dense sod. It has greater winterhardiness and is more resistant to foliar disease than other cool-season grasses. Use Marathon for hay, silage or pasture. When cut for hay or silage, quality is optimal before seed heads appear, and then rapidly declines. Forage yields are excellent in the spring and early summer and are fair to good in late summer and early fall. When used as pasture, grazing Marathon down to 3 to 4 inches above the ground will make the best utilization of the forage. Allow the grass to recover before regrowing, always keeping the grass below 12 inches tall during rapid spring growth.

#### Seeding Rate:

8 to 10 lbs. per acre when seeded alone. When seeding Marathon reed canarygrass in a mixture with legumes, decrease the seeding rate to 4 to 8 lbs. per acre. Sow no deeper than 1/2 inch in a well-prepared, firm seedbed in the spring or late summer.

Ontario, Canada 1/11/2000 REED CANARYGRASS YIELD SUMMARY		
Yield (kg/ha)	Palaton	Marathon
	8252	8481

