

3 + Cut Intensive Silage Options: Red Clover Intensive Silage

Red Clover Intensive Silage is designed specifically for high-quality silage production, with the potential for increased protein content and reduced fertiliser costs.

It is ideal for increasing protein production on farm, reducing your bought-in feed requirement. Aim for a first cut between red clover's early flower bud and 50% flowering stage, with subsequent cuts at five to six weekly intervals. The sward also provides excellent aftermath grazing for finishing lambs.

Benefits

- Improved protein content of silage
- Reduces the need for artificial nitrogen
- Outstanding grazing yield and quality
- Suitable for aftermath grazing, but avoid overgrazing

Fig 14.

Red Clover Intensive Silage

T = Tetraploid

D = Diploid

Kg / acre	Variety	Type	Heading Date
4.00	AberClyde	Perennial Ryegrass (T)	25 May
3.5	AberWolf	Perennial Ryegrass (D)	30 May
4.0	Red Clover Blend		
0.5	White Clover Blend		
12.00			

Hybrid Silage

A mix containing hybrid ryegrass to produce large quantities of high-quality silage from three or four cuts during peak grass growth.

This mix meets the needs of farmers with a high demand for silage or trying to maximise yield potential from out-farms. If you aim for three or four cuts in the pit by mid-July onwards, Hybrid Silage is the best option for you, with first cut in mid-May. Sward quality allows grazing after the final cut towards the back end of the year.

Benefits

- Three to four high quality, high yielding silage cuts
- Excellent spring and autumn growth, suited to an early or late grazing
- Option to include red clover for enhanced protein content

Fig 15.

Hybrid silage

T = Tetraploid

Kg	Variety	Type	Heading Date
8.00	AberEcho	Hybrid Ryegrass (T)	18 May
8.00	AberEve	Hybrid Ryegrass (T)	22 May
16.00			