## Martin 2 Festuca arundinacea



Martin 2 is an early flowering endophyte-free, long-lived perennial bunchgrass derived from crossing elite winter dormant (European) and non-winter dormant (Mediterranean) varieties. Martin 2 exhibits excellent seedling vigor and provides extended stay-green forage production during mild summers. It is deep-rooted, tolerates acidic, dense soils with poor drainage. It is relatively tolerant to drought.



## **Adaptation**

GRAZING	EXCELLENT		
HAY	EXCELLENT		
SILAGE	GOOD		
GREEN CHOP	EXCELLENT		
INTER-SEEDING	GOOD		
FROST SEEDING	NOT RECOMMENDED		

## **Key Features**

- Strong Seedling Vigor
- High Drought Tolerance
- Excellent Quality / High Palatability
- Good Winter Hardiness
- Endophyte-free

Martin 2 is well suited to situations where high forage dry matter production and persistence are the objectives and in areas subject to water-logging or summer drought. Martin 2 grows well in a range of soil conditions. It can be used for hay production or grazing in both the northern and southern parts of the United States.

## Trial Data - Dry Matter Yield (New Mexico State)

<u>VARIETY</u>	<u>5/2</u>	<u>6/2</u>	<u>OVERALL</u>
MARTIN 2	.92	1.98	8.49
BAR FA1004	.76	1.59	8.44
FUEG0	.67	1.51	8.17
JESUP MAXQ	.38	1.77	7.91
FAWN	.58	1.53	6.46

MEAN = 7.71 TONS / ACRE; LSD @ 0.05 = 2.34