



## Kentucky Bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*)

*The #1-rated bluegrass in the 1997 and 1998 NTEP trial, Brilliant features good drought tolerance, a very high number seed count, and outstanding turf quality for combined value and performance.*

*Home lawns / Commercial turf • Parks / Cemeteries • Sod production  
Recreational / Sports turf • Golf course fairways / tees / roughs*

*Look for Brilliant in the following  
recommended Scotts Turf-Seed product: Galaxy Kentucky Bluegrass Blend*



**TURF-SEED**

## Growth Habit and Characteristics:

- Tested as PST-B2-42
- Compact, spreading growth habit / moderately aggressive / fine leaf width
- Very uniform, upright dense turf with bright, dark green color
- Performs well in a wide range of well-drained soils, pH range of 5.5–7.5

## Performance Characteristics / Adaptations:

- Excellent performance throughout all zones of bluegrass adaptation
- Top performer at lower mowing heights
- Offers superior year-round turf density
- Performs well at low-to-high rates of N
- Excellent drought tolerance
- Good overall wear tolerance
- Outstanding overall disease tolerance
- Tolerates full sun to light shade
- Compatible with elite bluegrasses, i.e., Midnight / Moonlight in mixes

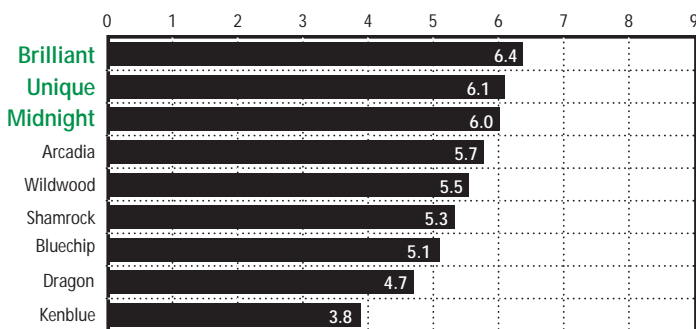
## Establishment and Maintenance:

- Seed at 2–3 lbs per 1000 sq ft
- Early fall and spring seedings are best. Late spring / summer plantings not recommended in most locations
- Seedbed should be kept moist during germination and establishment
- Germinates in 14–21 days with optimal soil temperatures, 55–80 degrees
- Full coverage in 8–10 weeks
- First mowing recommended when turf reaches approximately 2" in height

## Established Turf Maintenance:

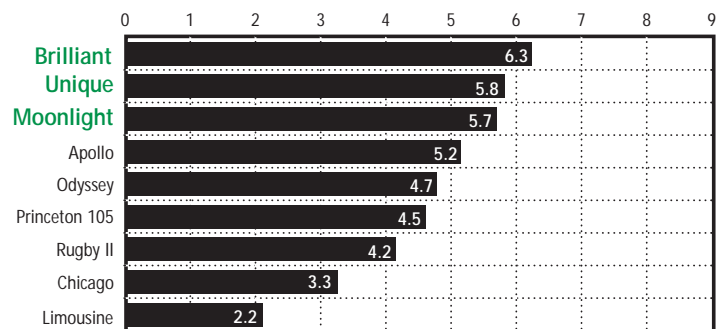
- For best performance, fertilize at annual rate of 3–4 lbs N / 1000 sq ft
- Deep, infrequent irrigation will provide quality turf. Increase frequency during summer months
- Recommended mowing height, 1/2"–2 1/2"

NTEP Final Report, 1996-2000, Turfgrass Quality while maintained at 1/2 to 1 inch mowing. 8 test locations, 4 yrs data, 103 Kentucky Bluegrasses tested LSD 0.2 Rated 1-9 9=ideal turf



Green = Turf-Seed Varieties  
Selected varieties including highest and lowest. Log on to ntep.org for additional trial data

NTEP Final Report, 1996-2000, Drought Tolerance (Wilting), 2 Test locations 2 yrs data, 103 Kentucky Bluegrasses tested LSD 1.1 Rated 1-9 9=no wilting



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