



# Rubitas Red Clover

*trifolium pratense*

A long lived stoloniferous red clover



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Suitable in rainfall areas 500mm- 1200 mm

Early flowering summer productive red clover

More drought tolerant than standard red clover

Very dense root mass

New plants will form from the stoloniferous root material

Diploid, short, prostrate red clover more suitable for grazing than hay making

Low oestrogen level



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## Suitable for low rainfall areas

Rubitas is a Red Clover Variety, bred by Eric Hall, Tasmanian Institute of Agricultural Research, with a prostrate growth habit. In comparison to other varieties its natural height in spring is short. Typical for diploid plants, Rubitas will flower early. Earlier grazing will provide and fill the feed gap better than later flowering cultivars presently on the New Zealand market

The most exciting feature about Rubitas is its stolon's above and underneath the plant surface. Those stolons increase the tolerance to extended periods of grazing over other red clover varieties. This, together with its deep taproot make it an ideal candidate for summer dry east coast pastures and a great companion for Megatas, Exceltas and herbs such as Plantain and Chicory.

- Perennial clover,
- Dense, prostrate, stoloniferous growth
- Deep tap root
- Suitable low to medium rainfall area
- Tolerates heavy grazing
- Low oestrogen level
- Sowing rate 2-4 kg/ ha



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