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Crimson Clover

Pastures, Pollinators & Winter Cover

Feed Your Soil, Fuel Your Future

Crimson Clover is a cool-season annual legume commonly used as a cover crop, forage, and soil improvement plant. Known for its vibrant crimson flowers, it provides excellent nitrogen fixation and soil health benefits. Also serves as pollinator.

KEY BENEFITS

- **Nitrogen Fixation:** Adds 70–150 lbs of nitrogen per acre to the soil.
- **Erosion Control:** Dense growth protects soil from erosion.
- **Weed Suppression:** Outcompetes weeds with rapid establishment.
- **Pollinator Support:** Attractive flowers provide nectar for bees and beneficial insects.
- **Improved Soil Structure:** Deep roots enhance aeration and water infiltration.

APPLICABLE USES

- **Cover Crop:** Ideal for soil fertility improvement and erosion prevention.
- **Green Manure:** Incorporate into soil before flowering for maximum nitrogen benefit.
- **Forage:** High-quality forage for livestock when grazed before bloom.
- **Wildlife Habitat:** Supports pollinators and game species.
- **Companion Planting:** Works well with small grains or grasses in mixed cover crop systems.

Conclusion

Planting crimson clover offers significant benefits, primarily by adding nitrogen to the soil, controlling erosion with its root system, improving soil health by increasing organic matter and water retention, reducing weeds, and attracting pollinators and beneficial insects with its vibrant red flowers, making it an excellent cover crop for gardens, farms, and orchards.

Contact Us

For more information reach out to Turf Merchants, Inc. to discuss your cover crop needs and to incorporate these into your agronomic program.



Seeding Rates

Broadcast Seeding 20–25 lbs/acre

Drill Seeding 15–20 lbs/acre

Mixed with Grasses 8–12 lbs/acre (adjust based on companion species)

Optimal Planting Time: Fall planting in most regions for winter cover
Early spring planting in cooler climates



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