

Prodigy Tetraploid Annual Italian Ryegrass

Prodigy ryegrass, bred by AGF Seeds, is an annual tetraploid variety with exceptional seedling vigour, very late heading, and high leaf quality. It provides valuable forage from early winter through to late in the growing season. and enables excellent pasture utilisation, silage production, and hay quality during the spring and summer months.

Key Features

- Late Season Quality
- High Winter production
- Maximizes production by providing value throughout an extended season

Key Uses

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Region

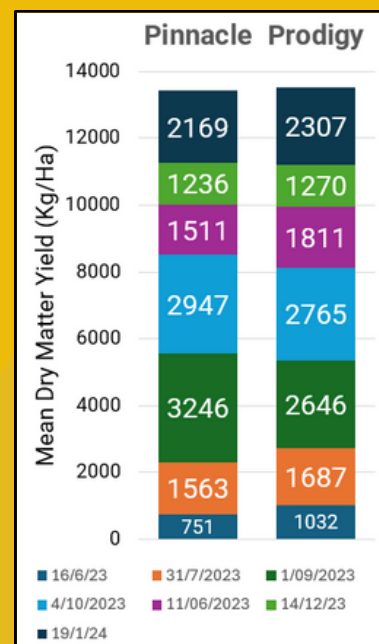
Broadly adapted for medium to high input Dairy, sheep and beef systems where the highest performing annual pastures are utilized.

Prodigy: Pinnacle's Successor

Prodigy is another step forward for AGF Seeds as we continue to offer premium pasture options for our growers.

As Pinnacle's successor as our premier late season annual, Prodigy is showing biomass yield improvements and later ear emergence.

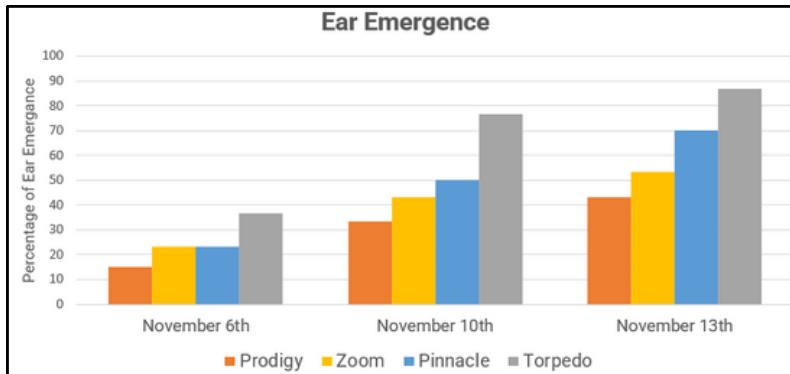
Selectively bred from plants that showed potential to provide second year growth where conditions allow, Prodigy can work well alone or within a mix of Italians or hybrids to provide multiple years of high-quality feed.



Above: Dry Matter Yield results of Pinnacle and Prodigy in the 2023 AGF Seeds Annual Ryegrass Trial in Smeaton, Vic

Maturity

Very late maturity. In the AGF Seeds 2023 Heading Date Trial (table shown below) in Smeaton, Victoria, Prodigy showed very late ear emergence with great scoring compared to other late season commercial comparators.



Plant Characteristics

Broadleaf tetraploid with a very vigorous seedling that carries vegetative production deep into the season for improved feed quality and animal performance.

Disease and Resistances

Observed robust rust resistance in high pressure seasons.

Grazing

Exceptional recovery from rotational grazing to maximise total seasonal production.

Mixes

Consider use of annual clovers companions to fix nitrogen and further improve feed quality.

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Prodigy showing how well it holds quality late into the season. The photos below were taken on December 14th 2023 at our Smeaton Annual Ryegrass Trial. The images show Prodigy (Top), Pinnacle (Middle), and RedGum 2 (bottom)

