

# HUSBANDRY GUIDELINES

## LEGUME & HERB RICH SWARD (GS4)

GAME COVER &amp; STEWARDSHIP SEED

**Seed Rate:** 12 – 14 Kg/acre      30 – 35 kg/Ha

**Description:** A vigorous sward with abundant legumes and herbs suitable for productive cattle and sheep enterprises. GS4 also provides habitat and food for invertebrates and pollinators whilst improving soil structure and water filtration.

**Duration:** 5 Year

**Use:** Grazing and Cutting (timing of which is to comply with GS4 rules)

**Drill or Broadcast:** Either, but must be shallow

**Time of Sowing:** April – May / August – Early September

**Row Width:** Narrow as possible

**Depth of Sowing:** Shallow as possible

**Soil Type:** Will adapt to most soil types, Min pH 6 and indexes of 2 for Phosphate & Potash

**Seed Bed Preparation:** A fine, firm seedbed is required. Then rolled well, as is similar for grass seeds.

**Fertiliser:** GS4 rules state, not to use inorganic fertilisers containing Nitrogen. P & K can be used to increase indexes if required.

**Pesticide and Herbicide Control:** To ensure a successful establishment and continued growth, effective / appropriate weed control is essential.

GS4 rules state not to use pesticides, except herbicides to spot treat non-native or indigenous weeds

**Comments:** This mixture can be grazed throughout the year, however if left ungrazed will provide an abundance of pollen and nectar rich species, if used for GS4 options ensure rules and uncut periods are adhered to.

WILD BIRD SEED

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22%	Late Perennial Ryegrass	GRASS
20%	Late Perennial Ryegrass	GRASS
5%	Meadow Fescue	GRASS
11%	Timothy	GRASS
10%	Festulolium	GRASS
11%	Creeping Red Fescue	GRASS
5%	Altaswede Red Clover	LEGUME
5%	Essex Red Clover	LEGUME
5%	Alsike Clover	LEGUME
1%	Lucerne	LEGUME
1.5%	Birdsfoot Trefoil	LEGUME / WILDFLOWER
1.0%	Sheeps Burnet	HERB
0.75%	Ribwort Plantain	HERB
1.0%	Yarrow	HERB
0.5%	Sheep Parsley	HERB
0.25%	Wild Carrot	WILDFLOWER
100%		

#### Specification

10 %	Red Clovers
10 %	Other Legumes , Herbs & Flowers
5	Species of Grass
3	Species of Legume
5	Species of Herb & Wild Flower

**Pack size 20kg**

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(kg/ha)  
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