Tall Fescue  (*Festuca arundinacea*)

**Description:**
Tall Fescue is a Perennial cool season bunch type grass that can be purchased as Instant Turf or grown from seed. Originally from Europe the species has been bred to adapt to temperate lawn environments where adequate moisture can be maintained in summer. Deep green in colour, Tall Fescue is best suited to irrigated turf and lawn areas.

**Preferred Mowing Height and frequency:**
Regular mowing improves the quality and look of a Tall Fescue lawn. The ideal mowing height is 30-45mm. Less frequent mowing is required in winter.

**Attributes:**
- Good shade tolerance
- Heat tolerant
- Dark green colour
- Medium wear resistance
- Winter active

**Maintenance:**
Apply a high Nitrogen lawn food in September and again in December.
Tall Fescue prefers regular fertilizing. In summer the use of wetting agents such as Anco “HydrateIT” will keep the turf green and reduce the incidence of hydrophobic soil.
In March apply a Complete NPK Fertiliser to aid root production prior to the onset of winter.

**Uses:**
- Home Lawns
- Naturestrips
- Commercial landscapes

**Growth Style:**
Bunch type grass

**Texture:**
Medium to coarse leaf.