DEFINED
Bandito 2 tetraploid intermediate ryegrass exhibits excellent cold tolerance and improved winter hardiness. It has shown higher levels of protein for a healthier diet and increased livestock production. Combine these traits with quick establishment, tremendous regrowth, and higher forage yields and you have a recipe for success.

ECONOMIC VALUE
KNOWN FOR ITS HIGH QUALITY
Feed value is a key component in evaluating forage varieties and often overlooked. Bandito 2 provides exceptionally high nutritional value.

PLANTING GUIDE
SEEDING RATE ALONE/ ACRE 30–40 lbs
SEEDING RATE IN MIX/ ACRE 2–10 bs
SEEDING DEPTH 1/8–1/2in
DAYS TO GERMINATE 5–7
AVERAGE SEEDS PER LB 240,000
EASE OF ESTABLISHMENT Excellent
LIFE CYCLE Short-lived
Perennial

AGRONOMIC TRAITS
FORAGE YIELD Excellent
FORAGE QUALITY Excellent
MATURITY Medium
PERSISTENCE Excellent
PALATABILITY Excellent
GROWTH HABIT Bunch
DROUGHT TOLERANCE Good
MOISTURE TOLERANCE Good
HAY Excellent
SILAGE Excellent
PASTURE Excellent
GROWTH Spring–Fall

CORNELL UNIVERSITY FORAGE TRIALS
Ithaca, NY 2008 Season Totals
Table 5b: Spring, First Harvest
Forage Quality Data for Grass Varieties
2007 Data for Trial Planted in 2006

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USES

PASTURE
Bandito 2 is suitable for all classes of livestock, especially those with high nutrient requirements such as young, growing animals.

HAY AND SILAGE
Bandito 2 is well suited for both hay and silage. For optimal performance Bandito 2 should be cut in the boot stage prior to seed head formation.

MANURE BUSTER
Bandito 2 is high yielding with high growth rates, and is able to absorb large amounts of nitrogen from manure application. Nitrogen toxicity can be a problem in heavily fertilized ryegrass, therefore a forage analysis is recommended prior to feeding grasses fertilized with lagoon water.

COVER CROP
The extensive root system of Bandito 2 makes it an effective catch crop for nitrogen and can help break up compacted soils. It offers many benefits including erosion control, improvement of aggregate stability, and increased organic matter to the soil profile. It can also be used as a nurse crop with fall-plant legumes such as clover.

WILDLIFE
Bandito 2 tetraploid intermediate ryegrass is an excellent wildlife feed. Its forage provides high-quality grazing and a quick source of energy for geese, ducks, wild turkeys, rabbits, deer, and elk.

SUITABLE FOR

DAIRY AND BEEF CATTLE

SHEEP AND GOATS

WILDLIFE

PASTURE

HAY

SILAGE

COVER CROP

• Improved yield
• Higher protein levels
• Improved winter hardiness
• Excellent digestibility

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