

# MAYERSKRAAL FARM CC

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## Gulf Green ®

Cynodon dactylon x Cynodon transvalensis

### About Gulf Green ®:

Fine in texture and of bright green colour, this grass forms a dense mat. It needs to be cut regularly to maintain looks and condition. Gulf Green withstands drought conditions better than other grasses and even does well under shady conditions. Its great adaptability makes it a popular grass for Home gardens as well as high traffic areas like sportsfields and playgrounds.

Gulf Green ® is grown under licence and unauthorised propagation for sale is strictly prohibited.

### Lawn planting using Gulf Green ® sods

The soil should be well aerated and kloggy clay patches mixed with sand to improve drainage. A general Fertilizer or Compost may be added to the soil. Thereafter rake the area even and level.

Lay the lawn sods and compact lightly to make contact between roots and soil. Fill gaps (sand, fine compost or fine lawn dressing). Avoid walking on the new lawn for at least two weeks to prevent the sods from sliding or making the freshly prepared area uneven again. Water well before and after planting and keep the soil moist until the lawn is well established.

### Maintenance of Gulf Green ®

Cutting height in shady areas should never be less than 35mm. Sunny areas may be cut shorter. Mow your lawn frequently as the removal of more than 1/3 of the leaf length will weaken the plant and the appearance will be untidy (leaf shafts grew long and are visible after cutting).

Since seasons are unpredictable, mowing once a week in summer, once in ten days in spring and autumn and once in two weeks in winter is only a rough rule of thumb. Look at your grass and you'll know when to mow.

After the lawn is established, water it 2 to 3 times a week for 20 to 30 minutes to encourage deep root growth, more often only when necessary. Preferably water your lawn in the morning. Avoid watering your lawn after 2pm to prevent diseases. Unevenness can be avoided by raking sand evenly onto the lawn.

Fertilize rather 'little and often'. A **light** application of 5 : 1 : 5 or 7 : 1 : 3 may be done once in spring and once in autumn. To avoid the risk of "burning" your lawn, you can use "slow release" Fertilizers or liquid Fertilizer via Irrigation System. Do not over fertilize your lawn as this will only lead to lush and weak shoots.

Gulf Green ® forms a dense mat and is therefore weed controlling. Pulling weeds by hand is still the best option for your lawn. Should you need to control weeds chemicaly, a range of Selective Herbicides for the control of annual broadleaf weeds in lawns is available in Gardening Shops and certain retailers.

**Should you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.**



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