

# SS 2020 SORGHUM X SUNDANGRASS

## Key Features

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The newest generation of BMR Sorghum X Sudan hybrids with the Brachytic Dwarf trait, this trait shortens the internode length, producing a short statured, high leaf-to-stem ratio. Even though the plant is shorter than other hybrids, it will produce equal or higher tonnage. With shortened internodes, it also allows closer cutting or grazing height. SS 2020 is best suited for chopping or grazing.

## Establishment

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Seeding can be effectively done with a grain drill. Seed in late spring to early summer when soils have reached 65°.

## Management Keys

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SS 2020 can be cut and wilted while in a vegetative growth stage. Mechanically harvest when plants reach 35-40" in height, leaving a 3-4" stubble. Grazing management is similar, but you may want to begin grazing SS 2020 as short as 20" to account for accumulated growth during the grazing period.

Weed control options are limited. Check with your local supplier for possible options. Generally Sorghum X Sudangrass is fast establishing and will out compete most weed pressure, especially after the first cutting.

Grazing with SS 2020, leave a 3-4" stubble for maximum regrowth and recovery.

Do not graze crops after resumed growth following stressful conditions such as drought or frost. Allow enough time for the nitrates and prussic acid to dissipate or convert. Allow 7-9 days after a frost for the plants to dry before resuming grazing. This allows the prussic acid to dissipate. If in doubt test the forage before feeding for nitrates and prussic acid.

Seasonal needs for sorghum-sudangrass is approximately 1.0 to 1.25 lbs of nitrogen per day of growth. Pre-plant no more than 50 lbs of nitrogen in all forms and 30-50 for each following harvest. It is recommended to fertilize with a balanced program.



### Characteristics

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Drought Tolerance	4
Wet Soil	3
Seeding Vigor	5
Baleage	3
Silage	5
Grazing	5

Scale 1-5 (1 = Poor, 5 = Excellent)

### Seeding Rate

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▶ 25-35 lbs/acre.

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1" into firm seedbed.

