



## Shady Mix

### Seed Information

Pearl's Premium mixtures are subject to international patent filings and may not be blended without the express written permission of Pearl's Premium, Inc. Varying seed species and percentages even modestly can significantly degrade mix performance:

Pure Seed*	Species	Germination Rate*	Origin
	Eugene Creeping Red Fescue	90%	Oregon
	Boreal Creeping Red Fescue	90%	Canada
	Harpoon Hard Fescue	80%	Oregon
	Carmen Chewings Fescue	90%	Oregon
	Sheep Fescue	88%	Oregon
01.70%	Inert Matter		
00.06%	Other Crop Seed		
00.04%	Weed Seed		

\* exact proportions and rates may vary from seed lot to lot. Consult seed tag.

### Performance Characteristics

Pearl's Premium mixtures are especially blended to deliver unique performance characteristics, including:

- *Highly drought tolerant* – Seldom or never water once established (in Northern Climate zones)
- *Very slow growing* – Mow only once per month on average (more frequently in damp spring conditions)
- *Not chemical dependent* – Thrives with less or no treatment (organic fertilizer recommended)
- *Extremely deep-rooted* – 12 inch deep roots after one year tap into naturally occurring nutrients
- *Greener longer* – Stays greener throughout winter / greens up quickly in spring

The Shady Mix is characterized by deep green, thin bladed appearance.

### Suitable Applications

Pearl's Premium mixtures are well suited to a wide variety of applications from deep shade to full sun, including:

- Residential, multi-family/condo and commercial / municipal lawns
- Cemeteries and parklands (except high traffic areas)
- Environmentally-sensitive areas (except areas that are continually wet)
- Highways (medians, traffic circles, etc) and
- Golf courses (rough, driving range, clubhouse areas).

### Installation Instructions

Pearl's Premium mixtures are installed like other lawn seed varieties. Best practices for successful installation include:

- *Soil Testing* – Ensure proper soil conditions with testing and amendments, as needed
- *Aeration* – Loosen soil with mechanical aeration to promote root growth and healthy soil
- *Organic Fertilization* – Spread organic lawn soil or organic compost
- *Application Rate* – Apply 7-8 lbs per 1,000 sq ft (new lawn); apply 5-6 lbs per 1,000 sq ft (over-seeded lawns)
- *Watering* – Daily for first 30 days (ensure seed stays moist); weekly during first summer in periods of drought or extreme heat
- *Over-seeding* – Over-seed following season to ensure consistently thick coverage throughout lawn

### Maintenance Instructions

Pearl's Premium lawns require specific maintenance practices, including:

- *Watering* – Once established, stop watering to promote deep root growth; water as needed during first hot summer
- *Mowing* – Cut high (at least 3") with a sharp blade to protect grass health and reduce weeds
- *Mulching* – Use a mulching mower and leave clippings
- *Treating* – Top-dress with ¼" of organic compost each year or spread organic fertilizer in spring and fall
- *Aeration* – Aerate lawn each year

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