

## Performs as good as any Buffalo, but looks much better

There are some other good buffalo types with performance similar to Sapphire, but all of these have coarse wide leaves, and many are not as soft to lie on as Sapphire. Some even have scratchy barbs.



Sapphire (left) has a finer leaf in comparison to other Buffalo varieties (right)



## Qualities of Sapphire

**Winter Colour:** Excellent winter colour in Sydney, Perth, Brisbane, Adelaide and Melbourne (Provided it is fertilised in April). It will go dormant in colder areas such as Canberra, but it will hold its colour better in winter than many other Buffalo's.

**Hot Weather Tolerance:** Excellent tolerance. It thrives in hot, humid and desert areas.

**Cold Tolerance:** Tested down to -10 °C in Canberra.

**Shade Tolerance:** Moderate to good. Tests have shown it is similar to other Buffalo varieties and most Buffalo types are good in shade.

**Wear Resistance:** Excellent, with very fast recovery.

**Salt Tolerance:** Similar to many other Buffalos.

**Mowing Height & frequency:** 35mm - 45mm in full sun, 50mm to 60mm in the shade. Less mowing than Couch & Kikuyu, similar to most other Buffalo types.

**Recovery from Injury:** Excellent, as it has fast growing stolons.

**Use:** Residential and commercial lawns, parks etc.

**Root Structure:** Deep rooted.

**Drought Tolerance:** Excellent once established, due to its deep root system.

**Texture:** Fine compared to other good buffalo grass varieties and soft to touch.

**Thatch:** Less thatch build up than most other Buffalo types.

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