

# Kings Pride Buffalo

## Drought Tolerance



## Shade Tolerance



## Durability



## Blade Width

**Broad**

**RRP: \$13.70 - \$14.70 per m2**

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Kings Pride is one of Australia's newest varieties of soft leaf buffalo and boasts some impressive advantages. National trials have demonstrated that Kings Pride delivers a softer, greener lawn all year round, whilst saving time and effort on maintenance. And what's more, it was first discovered growing wild – what better proof could there be of its natural ability to thrive in Australia's testing climate? When comparing soft leaf buffalos, Kings Pride is one of the most shade tolerant varieties available, and it is a great performer when it comes to regenerating from wear and tear.

## Performance

Kings Pride is the ideal choice of grass for your home lawn. It's hard-wearing, looks sensational and requires less maintenance than many other varieties on the market today. Being a variety of soft leaf buffalo grass, it is non-invasive to garden beds and maintains its winter colour better than other leading varieties. Kings Pride produces less thatch, meaning that it is easier to mow and can be mowed at lower heights. Put simply, Kings Pride is a standout when it comes to soft-leaf buffalo grasses.



## Specifications

<b>Drought Tolerance</b>	Good
<b>Durability</b>	Good. Suitable for full sun and part shade.
<b>Colour</b>	Excellent
<b>Shade Tolerance</b>	Excellent
<b>Mowing Height</b>	50-60mm
<b>Recovery from Injury</b>	Good. Will recover from moderate wear.
<b>Use</b>	In residential areas where shade is a concern or where a low-maintenance lawn is required.
<b>Texture</b>	Broad leaves that form a lush, dense appearance.

## Characteristics

### Soft Leaf

The old common varieties of buffalo had a problem with inducing welts on people with sensitive skin, especially children. All the varieties sold today don't do this and are described as 'soft leaf'. However, some are softer than others.

### Winter Growth and Colour

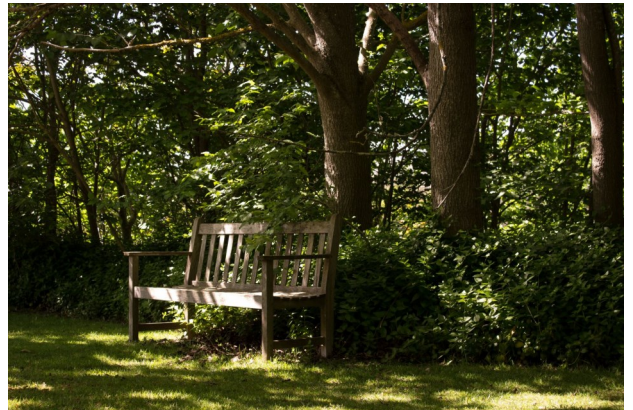
Kings Pride is notably better in cool months than any other buffalo varieties and had the least decline in colour of all buffalos trialled. In Spring, Kings Pride is the first to green up and does not require the high nitrogen levels other buffalos need to stimulate quick growth.

### Shade Performance Quality

Kings Pride was the top performer in 70% of the Trial sites. It will grow in 2-3 hours per day of sun.

### Mowing

Kings Pride can be mown more tightly than other buffalo at the heights usually reserved for couch. This is because of its strong lateral growth. Other buffalo grasses will scalp at these heights and will be very slow to recover. If scalping does happen, Kings Pride recovers quickly.



### Seed Head Production

Compared with other buffalos, seed head production is in the low-medium range and occurs at two well-defined times – late Spring/early Summer and late Summer/early Autumn. Other buffaloes in the group have high to very high seed head production, and some are continuous producers, having unsightly seed heads all year.

### Wear and Recovery from Wear

While King's Pride came second in this category, the difference was marginal. The first grass carried the highest level of thatch which took longer to wear off. Kings Pride was 13% quicker to recover than the first variety, making it the overall better grass to manage.

### Diseases

Kings Pride, unlike some varieties of USA origin, is not susceptible to Gray Leaf Spot.

### Thatch

Kings Pride consistently had the lowest thatch across all sites. Most other varieties developed their greatest thatch in the shade.

### Weed Control

Most buffalos, because of their density, out-compete weeds. However, clover and some other broadleaf weeds do sometimes present problems. Kings Pride shares with other varieties in its genetic group a tolerance to Dicamba which is missing most notably in varieties of USA origin. Dicamba is needed to control clovers and weeds with tap roots. It is contained in products such as Kleen Lawn which can be safely used on Kings Pride at label rates.

## Maintenance

### Watering

Kings Pride will need weekly watering in warm weather and twice a week when temperatures are consistently over 35°C. During winter, it will need very little watering, if any.

## Mowing

Kings Pride should be mowed every two to three weeks during the warmer months. Regular mowing with a rotary mower is essential to keep it in the best condition. Keep your mower's blades sharp and, as a general rule, take off no more than a third of the grass height at any one time.

## Fertilising

Paul Munns has a recommended fertilising plan for all our lawns. Access it on our Fertilisers page online.



## FAQs

**I have a lot of shade in my yard with big trees and a high wall making one side only receive 2 to 3 hours of sun in mid-summer. Will Kings Pride grow there?** Kings Pride has outperformed the grass generally recognised as the most shade tolerant warm season grass, Durban Grass, in areas such as this and producing a far better quality sward.

**How does Kings Pride compare in shade with other Buffalos?** In a national trial conducted over three years, Kings Pride has been the outstanding shade performer at all sites.

**I have a large dog and need something which will take its wear?** Kings Pride will tolerate a moderate amount of wear and tear. While it will tolerate a reasonable amount of pet traffic, you can't subject it to excessive wear.

**Does Kings Pride need lots of water?** It is one of the best Buffalos in this regard, but, like all Buffalos, it needs a little more water than Couch.

**Does it need a lot of fertiliser?** When fertilised three times per year, it will respond with a wonderful colour. However, even with little fertiliser, it still has a very good colour.

**Do weeds pose a problem for control in Kings Pride?** The natural density of Kings Pride tends to block out most weeds. However, Kings Pride will not be damaged by any registered weed killer which is applied properly and at the correct rate. If you need help with this, give us a call on 8298 0555.

## Dimensions and Delivery Information

Standard size slab: 0.67m<sup>2</sup> (584mm x 1.16m)

### Delivery Information:

**Delivery Days:** Tuesday through to Saturday.

**Order Deadline:** Order before 10am for next day delivery.

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