Southern Star bermudagrass (Cynodon dactylon) is an attractive, moderately fine leaved cultivar with medium-dark green color, medium-high density, and improved turf quality. Southern Star outperforms inferior and common bermudagrass in color, spring greenup, leaf texture, density and winter hardiness.

**Uses:** Southern Star is recommended for golf course fairways and roughs, home lawns, parks, and business landscapes. It is also for use on other sports areas in warm-humid and warm-semiarid regions and the warmer areas of the transition zone. In many situations, Southern Star can be used as a replacement for vegetative bermudagrass which can be costly and time-consuming to establish. Southern Star is a good choice when used alone or matched with other Jacklin bermudagrasses in blends for permanent turf in temperate zones.

**Quick Establishment:** Southern Star germinates in 10-14 days under optimum temperatures (soil over 65°F/18°C). Within 8-12 weeks, the turf can handle light play. Seeded establishment is quicker than sprigged bermudas which can take a whole season to fill in.

**Improved Winterhardiness:** Southern Star demonstrated improved winter hardiness with reduced percentage of winterkill in the 1997 NTEP trial at Oklahoma State University.

**Shade Adaptation:** In studies under 55% shade cloth at Clemson University, Southern Star retained its root biomass and chlorophyll levels better than most bermudagrasses.

**Primo Maxx™:** Primo Maxx works with Southern Star to improve turf density, color, and quality. The result is a playing surface virtually indistinguishable from the vegetative hybrids. Always follow label directions.

**Traffic Tolerance:** In traffic studies at the University of Georgia, Southern Star maintained density and living ground cover comparable to the best entry.

**Disease and Pest Resistance:** Southern Star has good resistance to dollar spot, mole crickets and webworms.

**Seeding Rate:** Hullied seed at 2-3 lbs./1,000 ft² (10-25 g/m2).