

# Stonewall Tall Fescue

**Stonewall** represents advances in breeding of top quality, dark green, disease resistant tall fescue. It was selected for its resistance to brown patch, particularly in the Southeastern U.S. **Stonewall's** canopy attributes, disease resistance, and durability make it a perfect choice for home lawns, sports fields, parks, and golf course roughs.



## FEATURES:

- Withstands the Transition Zone's heat and humidity
- Selected for its dark green color
- Excellent spring green up
- A variety with proven performance in Ohio, Maryland and New Jersey
- Deep root system for added drought stress tolerance

## PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- Outstanding brown patch resistance, #3 in North Carolina (NTEP report 04-5)
- Ranked #20 for Genetic Color (NTEP report 03-1)
- Excellent establishment even under traffic (NTEP report 03-1)
- Excellent quality ratings in the Mountain Region (NTEP report 03-1)
- Ranked #3 for canopy height measurements (NTEP report 03-1)
- Placed in top 25% for Quality at Auburn, AL (NTEP report 04-5)
- Placed in top 15% for Quality at Urbana, IL (NTEP report 04-5)
- Placed in top 25% for Quality at College Park, MD (NTEP report 04-5)
- Placed in top 25% for Quality in St. Louis, MO (NTEP report 04-5)
- #8 Quality ranking at Brookings, SD (NTEP report 04-5)
- #10 Quality ranking at Madison, WI (NTEP report 04-5)

## DEVELOPMENT:

The **Stonewall** breeder block was planted in June 1998. It is made up of 42 lines – 13 of the best performing lines from polycross block 96-8012 planted in the 1996 turf trial at Enon, Ohio and 29 of the best performing lines from the same polycross planted in the 1996 turf trial at Poolesville, Maryland. Plugs were pulled from both locations and sprigged in May, 1998 into a 4,200-plant block. In the spring of 1999, 1,470 plants were removed for stem rust, leaf color, leaf texture and poor seed yield prior to anthesis. An additional 270 plants were removed after anthesis. The remaining 2,460 plants were harvested as breeder seed in July 1999.