# **OMBRETTA**



Chewings Fescue (Festuca rubra ssp. commutata)







# **Usage:**

- Shade / Full sun applications
- Home lawns / Parks
- Golf course outer roughs
- Roadsides / Low maintenance
- Reclamation projects

# **Growth Habit and Characteristics:**

- Bunch-type growth habit with very fine blade width / low upright growth
- Uniform, very dense turf with bright medium green color
- Performs well in a wide range of well drained soil types, pH range of 5.5–8.0

# **Performance Characteristics/Adaptations:**

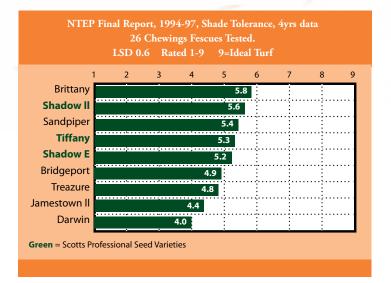
- High endophyte content for improved insect resistance
- Tolerates full sun to moderate shade
- Excellent drought tolerance / recovery when compared to other fine fescues
- Very good winter color / cold tolerance
- Very good overall disease performance, esp. red thread, leaf spot
- Excellent performance when left unmowed for natural, links look
- Mixes well with improved fine fescues, Kentucky bluegrass, perennial ryegrass and Shade Champ Deschampsia

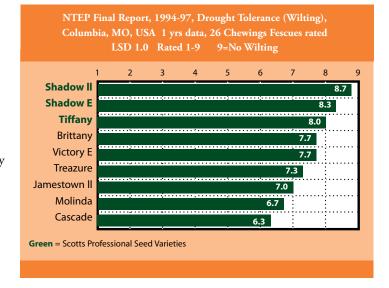
## **Establishment and Maintenance:**

- For turf, seed at 25–35 gr/m<sup>2</sup>; for slopes, seed at 15–20 gr/m<sup>2</sup>
- Early fall and spring seedings are best; late spring / summer plantings not recommended in most locations
- Seedbed should be kept moist during germination and establishment
- Germinates in 8–14 days with optimal soil temperatures of 15°–26° C, with full coverage expected in 6–8 weeks
- First mowing recommended when turf reaches approximately 5 cm in height

## **Established Turf Maintenance:**

- For best results, fertilize at annual rate of 10–15 gr/m<sup>2</sup> of nitrogen
- Deep, infrequent irrigation recommended during cooler months lighter, more frequent during the summer months
- Recommended mowing height of 1–5 cm / reel mowers best
- 6 cm mowing height recommended for shade situations





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