



APIS LADINO Clover is an erect, open, large leaf ladino white clover suited to high fertility lowland areas. APIS, a perennial legume, was bred to improve year round production with other popularly known ladino white clovers. APIS ladino clover has inherent excellent summer growth rates with better year round production and persistence associated with small leaved European clovers. New to North America, APIS has out performed existing white clover varieties over all seasons. APIS shows best performance increases in the cool season period.

APIS germinates like standard New Zealand and Dutch varieties, and it shows no advantage in the first six months after establishment. It's best advantage shows off in the winter months as other species go winter dormant. Frequent light grazing during establishment enhances later performance. Grass removal as hay or silage assists development through summer months.

Seeding rates of APIS ladino clover are 4 to 5 pounds per acre in the spring or fall. To insure establishment, purchase the proper inoculant from your seed dealer, as this activates the seed coating to assure proper germination. A late season frost planting by broadcasting is an easy way to sow a spring planting. Clovers are small seeded. Avoid deep planting as clover is best planted at 1/8 inch deep.

APIS can be used to enhance a stand of low growing clovers as they will cross pollinate and improve the size and stand of existing plantings. It is best sown with erect growing species such as orchard grass, tall fescue, ryegrass, or bromes. A normal fertility program based on soil testing is recommended. Light applications of phosphorus, potassium, and sulfur may be required through testing. Occasional molybdenum supplements on deficient soils may be necessary also.

Due to it's erect growth habit, APIS is best suited to rotational grazing programs. Best grazing rotations are to graze for four to seven days, and rest for twenty eight to thirty five days. Beef and dairy cattle enjoy the benefits of APIS, although it is not suited to withstand constant traffic.

- ◆ *New improved ladino clover*
- ◆ *Better year round production*
- ◆ *Better cool season production*
- ◆ *High dry matter yields*
- ◆ *Sow in pasture mixes for best results*
- ◆ *Best suited for rotational grazing*



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