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- \* Inspected by SSCA Personnel
- \* Grown under SSCA Certification Standards
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# SUMMARY 2018

<u>Variety</u>	Class	<u>Acres</u>
Bermuda:		
Bimini <sup>TM</sup>	Foundation	58
Celebration <sup>TM</sup>	Foundation Registered Certified	8 194 1,088
Latitude 36	Foundation Registered Certified	1 55 207
Premier Pro	Registered Certified	3 20
Sunday	Foundation	4
Tifdwarf	Registered Certified	3 6
TifEagle	Certified	9
TifGrand	Registered Certified	7 87
TifSport™	Certified	35
TifTuf	Registered	51

	Certified	490
Tifway	Registered Certified	64 953
Paspalum:		
Sea Isle Supreme	Registered Certified	13 45
St. Augustine:		
Captiva	Registered	4
Zoysia:		
Diamond	Certified	30
El Toro	Registered	1
Empire <sup>TM</sup>	Certified	30
Icon	Foundation Registered	2 4

JaMur	Registered	18
	Certified	52
L1F	Registered	2
	Certified	6
Palisades	Registered	22
	Certified	333
Toccoa Green	Foundation	11
	Registered	13
Zeon	Registered	14
	Certified	165
Zorro	Certified	149
TOTAL		4,221

### PRODUCER LISTING

Name Class **BERMUDA**  $BIMINI^{TM}$ Bethel Farms Fdn  $CELEBRATION^{TM}\\$ Reg A Duda & Sons Cert Bay Breeze Farms, Inc. Reg Cert Reg Beck's Turf Fdn Bethel Farms Reg

**Council Growers** 

Cert

Reg Cert

Craft Turf Farm Cert J.W. Sod Farms Reg Cert King Ranch Reg Cert Lake Jem Farms Reg Cert Quality Turf Fdn Reg Cert S & K Sod Company Reg Cert S M R Turf Reg Cert Star Farms Reg Cert Sun Turf Cert

### LATITUDE 36

J. W. Sod Fdn

Reg Cert

King Ranch Reg

Cert

Lake Jem Farms Reg

Quality Turf Reg

Cert

South Florida Grassing Reg

Cert

S M R Turf Reg

Cert

PREMIER PRO

Sun Turf Reg

Cert

SUNDAY

Craft Turf Farms Fdn

#### **TIFDWARF**

Craft Turf Farms Reg

Cert

Master-Turf Farms Cert

Quality Turf Reg

Cert

**TIFEAGLE** 

South Florida Grassing Cert

**TIFGRAND** 

Coosa Valley Turf Cert

J. W. Sod Reg

Master Turf Farm Reg

Cert

Rhyne's Select Turf Cert

# $TIFSPORT^{TM}\\$

Coosa Valley Turf Farms Cert

#### TIFTUF

Bethel Farms Reg

Cert

Coosa Valley Turf Reg

Cert

Master Turf Farm Reg

Cert

McCall Sod Farm Reg

Cert

Rhyne's Select Turf Reg

Cert

South Dallas Turf Reg

Tater Farms Cert

Woerner Farms Reg

Cert

Woerner Turf Reg Cert

**TIFWAY** 

A Duda & Sons Cert

Alta Turf, Inc. Cert

Beck's Turf, Inc. Reg

Cert

Benchmark Farms Cert

Coosa Valley Turf Farms Reg

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Craft Turf Farms Reg

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Frog Pond Turf Reg

Cert

Green Grass Farm Cert

Johnston Brothers Farm Cert

Master-Turf Farms Reg

Cert

Quality Turf Reg

Cert

Rhyne's Select Turf Reg

Cert

Riverside Turf Farm Reg

Riverview Turf Cert

S M R Turf Cert

Salzmann Turf Farm Cert

South Dallas Turf Farm, Inc. Reg

Cert

Star Farms Corp Reg

Cert

Sun Turf Cert

Tater Farms Cert

Woerner Farms Reg

Cert

Woerner Turf Reg

Cert

# **PASPALUM**

# SEA ISLE SUPREME

South Florida Grassing Reg Cert

# ST. AUGUSTINE

### **CAPTIVA**

McCall Sod Farm Reg

### **ZOYSIA**

### DIAMOND

Rhyne's Select Turf Cert

Sun Turf Cert

### **EL TORO**

Boyd Sod Farm Reg

 $EMPIRE^{TM}$ 

Johnston Brothers Farm Cert

**ICON** 

A Duda & Sons Fdn

Tater Farms Reg

**JAMUR** 

S & K Sod Company Reg

Cert

Willaway Cattle & Sod Company Reg

Cert

L1F

J. W. Sod Reg Cert

#### **PALISADES**

Woerner Farms Reg

Cert

Woerner Turf Reg

Cert

TOCCOA

Woerner Development Fdn

Reg

**ZEON** 

Coosa Valley Turf Reg

Cert

R. B. Farms Reg

Cert

South Dallas Turf Reg

Cert

**ZORRO** 

King Ranch Cert

Rhyne's Select Turf Cert

#### **VARIETY DESCRIPTIONS**

#### **BERMUDAGRASS**

BIMINI<sup>TM</sup> Bimini is an improved hybrid Bermuda that Forms a fine textured, dense, dark green turf with upright leaf growth. It's rapidly spreading growth habit and quick recovery makes Bimini quite durable. It's deep root system aids in drought tolerance, and is frost resistant. Good for lawns as well as athletic fields.

<u>CELEBRATIONTM</u>- Celebration<sup>TM</sup> bermudagrass is a selection of bermudagrass chosen specifically for its dark blue-green color, drought tolerance, light-moderate shade tolerance, and reduced production costs. It is similar to Tifway 419, yet it grows vertically at a slower rate. Due to this prostrate growth habit, Celebration<sup>TM</sup> requires less mowing. Patented.

<u>LATITUDE 36</u>- Latitude 36 is a sterile hybrid with exceptional cold tolerance and winter damage is seldom seen. It has fine textured blades and offers early green-up, fine texture, excellent density, excellent wear tolerance and rapid recovery from traffic. Patented.

<u>PREMIER PRO</u>- Premier (marketed as Premier Pro) is a perennial bermuda that spreads by rhizomes and stolons and produces a fine textured turfgrass. Dark green color and

fine leaf texture. Dense, tough and versatile, recovers quickly from damage. Cold tolerant. Patented.

<u>SUNDAY</u>- Sunday bermuda was selected and developed for golf greens exhibiting fast lateral growth rate and high internode density. Sunday bermuda can be considered an ultra-dwarf type. Leaf blades are light green color, has good cold hardiness and excellent root system- a good option for transition zones. Seed heads are small, close to the canopy and normally exhibit white flowers. Sunday bermuda provides an excellent golf green surface with less maintenance; little "grain" and little thatch buildup.

<u>TIFDWARF</u>- Tifdwarf bermuda grass, superior for golf greens, has been equal or superior to Tifgreen on nearly every score. Its leaves hug the ground so closely that a number of them are never cut by the greens mower. This characteristic helps to tolerate a 3/16" cutting height much better than Tifgreen. Its softer leaves and fewer seed heads also contribute to its superior putting qualities. Tifdwarf has a darker green color than Tifgreen and requires less fertilizer to make a comparable degree of greenness. Its basic purple plant color that helps to keep it looking dark green in the summer time becomes very noticeable when temperatures drop in the fall.

<u>TIFEAGLE</u>- (Licensed by USDA/UGA.) TifEagle is a sterile, medium green, finer textured, triploid bermuda grass for golf greens. This variety performs better than most

dwarfs at a 1/8" cutting height according to collected data. It has good growth and reduced purpling in cool weather. Observations indicate that TifEagle may have mole cricket non-preference. TifEagle was developed by USDA/ARS and may be produced and sold by licensed producers only. Available only as a certified grass. Patented.

<u>TIFGRAND</u>- TifGrand is a sterile, shade tolerant triploid bermuda for lawns or golf greens. It is a dense, dark green dwarf variety that spreads by stolons and rhizomes, and thrives in hot, humid conditions. It has shown tawny mole cricket resistance. TifGrand is available only as a certified grass. Exclusive license given to New Concept Turf by the University of Georgia. Patented.

TIFSPORT™- TifSport™ is a triploid hybrid with Midiron cold hardiness and Tifway texture and color. TifSport™ has superior cold hardiness when compared to other available fine leaf turfgrasses. It is genetically uniform, tolerant to common herbicides, and provides a high density grass when mowed at 2 inch. The variety has shown mole cricket non-preference in side by side comparisons to Tifway. TifSport™ is licensed by USDA/UGA. May be only be sold by licensed producers and is available only as a certified grass. Patented.

<u>TIFTUF</u>- TifTuf is a drought and traffic tolerant turfgrass developed by the University of Georgia at Tifton. Good establishment and cover, high sod strength with fast spring

green up, good color retention and shade tolerance. Licensed and marketed by The Turfgrass Group. Patented.

<u>TIFWAY</u> - Tifway Bermuda is a chance hybrid between (<u>Cynodon dactylon</u> and <u>C. transvaalensis</u>). Tifway was released to growers of certified sprigs by the GA Coastal Plain Experiment Station in the spring of 1960. Tifway has excellent weed resistance, good disease resistance, spreads faster than Tifgreen, has dark green color and is superior to Tiffine, Tifgreen, and Tiflawn for fairways, tees, lawns and similar uses.

#### **PASPALUM**

SEA ISLE SUPREME- Sea Isle Supreme is a salt-tolerant, fine bladed seashore paspalum. It is ideal for golf course greens, fairways, tees and roughs. The grass is a very aggressive grower and can be closely mowed to heights of 1/8 inch to 3 inches. Must be propagated vegetatively. Sea Isle Supreme is patented and will be available only as a certified grass from licensed growers in this directory. Patented.

#### ST. AUGUSTINE

<u>CAPTIVA</u>- Captiva is a diploid St. Augustine with a dense growth habit with narrow leaf blades and dark green color. It is resistant to chinch bugs and is slow growing for less mowing requirements. Developed by the University of Florida.

#### **ZOYSIA**

<u>DIAMOND</u>- Diamond zoysiagrass was released by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station to be propagated by licensed growers. It is a fine textured, high density vegetatively propagated <u>Zoysia matrella</u>, designed for use for and around putting greens and tee boxes on golf courses, and generally high maintenance turf areas desiring special appeal. Diamond has superior shade and salinity tolerance with good resistance to the tawny mole cricket and fall armyworm. Patented.

<u>EL TORO</u> - Licensed by the University of California. El Toro is a <u>Zoysia japonica</u>, resembling Meyer in appearance but has a coarser leaf texture. California data indicates that El Toro has a much faster rate of establishment than Meyer and displays earlier spring green up. It has low thatch production, shade tolerance, rust and disease resistance and good cold tolerance.

Patented.

EMPIRETM - EmpireTM Zoysia is a native cultivar of Zoysia japonica, chosen specifically for its ability to reduce production costs while demonstrating desirable growth characteristics. It has a rapid expansion rate, is reproduced from rhizomes, and has a high natural chemical resistance for easier weed control. EmpireTM has performed well in sandy and clay soil types with aggressive growth from its runners and rhizomes, but can be mowed with a rotary mower due to its broader leaf and open growth habit. Patented.

<u>ICON-</u> Icon is a naturally emerald green zoysiagrass that is drought tolerant, chinch bug resistant and quick to establish. It is salt tolerant, and requires less watering, mowing, chemicals and fertilizer. Forms a strong sod via rhizomes. Patented.

<u>JAMUR-</u> Developed and patented by Texas based Blade Runner Farms. Jamur has exhibited more favorable texture, faster rate of cover, slightly darker green color and less thatch production than common Zoysia. Licensed by The Turfgrass Group. Patented.

<u>L1F</u>- Developed by Texas based Blade Runner Farms. L1F is a perennial zoysiagrass that spreads by both stolons and rhizomes. Medium fine texture with very soft leaves and an absence of leaf hairs. Small seedheads at or near canopy height. Limited winter survival in colder regions. Plant Patent applied for.

<u>PALISADES</u>- Palisades is an aggressive, dark green, medium textured lawn grass. It is best known for its tolerance to low light conditions, low water use, excellent cold hardiness, and fast green up. Licensed by New Life Turf. Patented.

<u>TOCCOA GREEN</u>- Toccoa Green was formerly marketed under the brand Pristine Flora. It is recommended for use in high maintenance situations. Fine textured, extremely dense, and has dark green color. Faster rate of growth than other zoysia cultivars, and recovers quickly from scalp damage.

<u>ZEON</u>- Zeon zoysia is a vegetatively produced Zoysia marketed as an Emerald Zoysia type with less thatch produced. Texture is similar to that of Emerald and more fine leafed than Meyer. Licensed by The Turfgrass Group. Only licensed producers may sell this variety. Patented.

ZORRO - Zorro zoysia is distinguished from other zoysiagrasses by its fine texture, high rhizome and tiller density, moderate drought tolerance, shade tolerance and rapid regrowth and recovery from damage. Zorro tolerates close and frequent mowing suggesting a potential commercial value for sports fields, buffer areas around bentgrass greens, tee boxes and fairways for golf courses and residential and industrial lawns under either full sun or moderate to heavy shade in the southern United States. Licensed by Turfgrass America. Patented.

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