

# STERLING SMOOTH LEAF

## Fodder Radish

Developed by Pro-Seed cc South Africa



### Outstanding qualities

- Large smooth leaf
- Large root size
- Suitable for over sowing
- Suited to strip grazing
- Upright growth habit
- Higher leaf yield

Sterling fodder radish is a unique radish bred for its smooth leaf, large bulb size and increased leaf yield.

Bred by the ARC Cedara. It is a cross between the European types, which typically have a large leaf mass but with generally smaller bulb size, and our local Nootgedacht type with a large root and smaller, hairier leaves. The end result is a radish with larger smoother leaves and a large root, taking advantage of the good traits from both parents.

In Cedara trials Sterling has produced up to two thirds more leaf matter than other radish types without compromising on root size.

With its upright growth habit, sterling has shown that it is suited to strip grazing and over sowing with ryegrass or similar winter forage grasses.

The ideal planting time for Sterling is from the end of January to the middle of March.

We recommend that the seed is planted in 900mm – 1000mm rows at a rate of 1 - 2 kilograms per hectare.

Aphids can devastate a crop of radish and it is important to make sure adequate preventative measures are taken.

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\* **Experimental:** This variety does not appear on the current South African Variety list, but has been submitted for registration.

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