

SIRATRO - AZTEC ATRO

Macroptilium atropurpureum

A climbing and twining non-bloating legume for sub-tropical and tropical climates.

BENEFITS

- Higher dry matter yields
- Very palatable
- Nitrogen fixing for itself and accompanying grasses
- Non-bloating legume

LIMITATIONS

- Intolerant to persistent waterlogging, heavy grazing, and flooding



+700mm



Wide Range



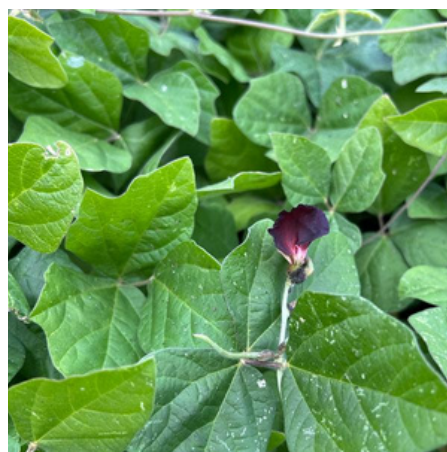
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Mix: 2kg/ha

PLANTING

- Typically planted between October and January when reliable rainfalls are forecast
- Dry spells should be avoided
- Normally sown in a mixed pasture
- Siratro should be inoculated with Group M inoculant



ESTABLISHMENT

Siratro should not be grazed heavily, allowing residual vine and leaf to encourage regrowth. Rotational grazing is the preferred regime, this allows time to recover between grazings.

Siratro should be allowed to flower and seed to encourage seedling recruitment, increasing persistence.

USES suited to all livestock types, silage and hay



Companion Species - Siratro is best planted with tufted tropical grasses (Buffel, Panics, Bluegrasses, Digits, Setaria). Tropical legumes (Desmodium, Wynn Cassia, Burgundy Bean, Caatinga, Stylo)



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