Santa Anna Couch

Santa Anna is a Californian hybrid variety that has a fine, soft leaf texture and low growing appeal



This fine leafed couch grass is a warm season grass that thrives on sun and heat. It is tough and durable and looks best when mown short.

Santa Anna is usually intolerant of heavy shade, preferring 6-7 hours of sun per day. Perfect for hot north facing situations.

If grown in full sun Santa Anna is extremely hard wearing and will tolerate considerable traffic.

Drought Tolerance	7.5/10
Wear and Durability	8/10
Shade Tolerance	4/10
Low Maintenance	8/10

Santa Anna Couch is a semi-vigorous creeping perennial, with above ground runners, which can be maintained in a given area by bordering. Santa Anna has a high wear tolerance and an excellent ability to recuperate quickly.

This variety has a bright green leaf colour and good colour retention, giving it a superior appearance.

Santa Anna Couch has a short dormancy period in the South Australian region over winter, depending upon frost frequency.

Recommended for both residential and commercial applications.

Pet tolerant.

The recommendations overleaf are for established lawns only, to ensure good health and the best possible colour year round. These recommendations are averages and should be used as a guide. Situations vary according to soil conditions, location, water pressure etc. The visual appearance of your lawn will become your best guide.

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No more than 30-40% of the leaf should be removed in any one mow. Keep mower blades sharp and do not cut wet grass. Mowing height is an important factor in promoting healthy lawn. The mowing height is best kept at 20-30mm throughout the year. Closer mowing will produce a putting green appearance. An even ground is important for good colour retention. Annual scarifying is necessary, best carried out between October and December.

In summer mow every 7-10 days. During autumn and winter every 2-5 weeks, only if necessary.

Best results are achieved with a cylinder mower.



Save time and money on your water bill by installing a controlled sprinkler system.

Santa Anna can tolerate drought conditions once established.

Watering to maintain a healthy green appearance:

• summer - over 30 degrees 3 times per week for 20 minutes

autumn and spring
winter - when no rain
2 times per week for 15 minutes
1 time per week for 15 minutes



Apply four applications of fertilizer a year from our specialty range. Reduced growth, paleness of colour and weeds may indicate your lawn is lacking nutrition. Ask for a copy of our Santa Anna fertilising program.



For best results with weedicides, promote growth by fertilising 14 days ahead and do not mow for 48 hours prior to spraying. Broadleaf sprays control Clover, Bindii and Broadleaf weeds including Paterson's Curse (Salvation Jane) and should be applied before flowering at the end of July as a preventative.

To control Black Beetle, Mole Cricket and grass-eating caterpillars in lawns, use a recognised Lawn Grub Killer each spring, as a preventative.

Wintergrass Control – apply annually between April and August.

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