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NEWSLETTER

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Autumn, the season that teaches us, that change can be beautiful.

Leaves will be changing their colour very soon and the grape harvest is about to start, no doubt autumn has arrived. What a dry, hot Marlborough summer it has been and as most scientists predict one of many to come. As you might already know, Kiwi Seed have specialised in dryland pasture species many years ago. On our new website you can find information on the dryland pasture species, which are unique to Kiwi Seed. Newsletters on various topics related to pasture, cover cropping and other projects can also be found here.

Please contact Bruce or Maren for more information on how to use these plants for your benefit.

Autumn is a good time to sow **new lawns** as seed will germinate quickly if it is kept well watered. For the **established lawn** feed and water as required, treat lawns for weeds once there is active growth and do not forget to look out for fungal disease and treat as needed.

Regular lawn Seed: Elite traditional lawn blend, soft, fine and tidy.

Hardy lawn Seed: Drought tolerant, premium wear resistant, dark green colour.

Superfine Lawn Seed: Extra fine, low maintenance, ideal ornamental lawn, good colour retention over cooler months.



Small and large quantities available in Store.

Electrolytes for horses, the choice is yours.

Kiwi Seed stock a variety of different equine electrolyte products suitable to help replace essential nutrients lost through sweating, stress, traveling, racing, endurance and competition.

Vetpro electrolytes (1kg)

Vetpro Equine Electrolytes replaces quickly and efficiently lost minerals, also contains Chloride and Sodium in a neutral PH composition.



Sedalyte (1kg)

replaces more of what is actually lost in sweat. Helping effectively to prevent poor performance due to sweat loss.



Quicklyte paste (30ml) helps to replace lost minerals, as well as triggers thirst and hunger feelings, works well when horses refuse to drink on long journeys away from home.



Pro-dosa boost paste (80ml)

is a comprehensive, balanced, bioavailable multi-nutrient paste formulated to replace essential nutrients lost in training, competition, transport or stress. Contains trace elements, amino acids and vitamins.



Neutradex (1l and 5l)

neutralises and reduces lactic acid produced by muscles during hard work. Aids in the prevention and treatment of muscle cramping and tying up due to acidosis.



It is difficult to assess a horses Electrolyte status from a blood test, samples of blood and urine need to be taken at the same time. Consult your veterinarian for this.



Duck shooting special

Barley, Ryecorn, Oats, Peas available here at Kiwi Seed

Samuel Showman

Out in the garden

March

Grow your soil by maximising solar energy through active conversion into green manure over the cooler autumn and winter months.

Most people think about growing plants when starting a garden but think about growing your soil.

The soil in your garden will be the foundation of everything that happens and the better you care for it, the better your garden will grow.

Grow soil through building organic matter (carbon).

Cover crops add organic matter to the soil and add a variety of nutrients in particular nitrogen in a slow release way that plants can handle leading to less nitrogen volatilization. Cover crops also improve diversity, soil physical properties, prevent erosion and can act as mulch (weed suppression) if managed correctly.

Cover crop options for the colder season include cereals such as ryecorn and wheat.

Seeds of nitrogen fixing plants such as lupins, peas, faba beans and clovers are also suitable for sowing this time of the year. Cereals and Legumes can also be mixed.

Did you know special types of Mustard can be used to reduce soil borne pathogens (including Verticillium wilt, Rhizoctonia spp., Pythium spp., Fusarium spp., and Sclerotinia spp.) as well as nematode and wireworm populations through biofumigation.

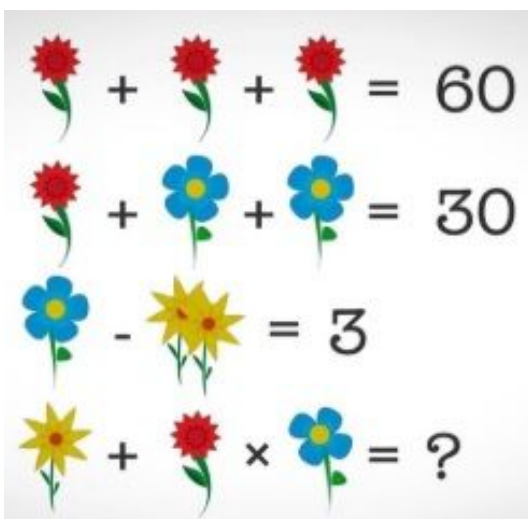
Caliente Mustard is specifically bred for biofumigation and is very popular to be used in Potato rotations.

Caliente must be chopped as finely as possible before the immediate incorporation into moist soil to maximise the biofumigation effect.

A wide range of cover crop seed options are available here at Kiwi Seed. Talk to us about your requirement.



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All the Woulda-Coulda-Shouldas

Layin' in the sun,

Talkin' 'bout the things

They woulda coulda shoulda done.

But those Woulda-Coulda-Shouldas

All ran away and hid

From one little Did. Shel Silverstein

It's never too late to get those braincells working, just got to start like one little Did.

The answer to the question on the side will be in the next newsletter.

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