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NEWSLETTER

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

With the imminent arrival of autumn this month and harvest starting in earnest, we start to think about cover crops in the vineyard.

These help improve the structure and water holding capacity of the soil as well as the biodiversity in the vineyard.

We have a great range of cover crop seed available.

Give Bruce a call to talk about your specific requirements to get the right crop for your situation.

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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.

New Horse Products in Store

Kiwi Seed stock a variety of different equine products and we are always looking to improve our range. Here are a few of our new additions.



Abagel worming paste is a cost effective rotational drench for horses.

Effectively controls gastrointestinal roundworms, including the arterial stages of *Strongylus vulgaris*, small strongyles (including benzimidazole resistant strains), lungworm and bots in horses. Also controls horse tapeworms, *anoplocephala perfoliata*.



Good As Gold Paste 3 Pack. Ideal when travelling, before competition or in other stressful situations.

An effective, and convenient feed supplement, specially designed for nervous, hot or stressed horses.

Calming affect resulting in a more relaxed and attentive horse



Oral Mag

25% Magnesium Pidolate solution • Helps to prevent magnesium deficiency in horses • Elevates blood magnesium levels quickly. • Levels may remain raised for 10-14 days. Safe and convenient way to supplement Magnesium with the added benefit of sea-weed.



Stay Sound Leg Clay.

Internationally acclaimed cold clay. Cools, soothes and tightens hot tired legs. Longer lasting formula. No need to wrap or bandage. Easy to wash off.

Duck shooting special

Grain Blows—Duck Food
\$5 per sack



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 requirements.



Prepare your garden for winter crops.

Add a mixture of compost, sheep manure and general garden fertiliser to your vege patch.

Protect new plantings from slugs and snails with Blitzem slug pellets.

Give them the best start by watering them with Maxicrop seaweed foliar feed.

Start supplementing the wild birds!

As the weather gets colder, food becomes more scarce for the feathered visitors to your garden.

Fill up a bird feeder with Kiwi Seed Wild Bird Seed, available in 2kg, 5kg, 10kg and 25kg bags.



Looking for a premium dog food that will keep your dog in top condition?

The A La Carte range of dog food gives you Grain Free options and are ideal for all dogs from puppies to senior, pets to working dogs.

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