

SINGLE SPECIES

TECH SHEET

FALCATA YELLOW BLOSSOM ALFALFA

Falcata Yellow Blossom Alfalfa, or *Medicago Falcata*, is a subspecies of alfalfa that displays some key differences from the much more common purple-flowered alfalfas used for hay production. Falcata should be used almost exclusively in mixtures with grass and in rangeland interseeding projects. It is extremely drought and winter hardy and can persist on rangeland by going dormant during challenging conditions. It has more of a creeping or fibrous root system than purple-flowered alfalfas, which allows it to spread by root to some extent. Falcata alfalfa will also have less risk of bloat in a grazing application and responds well to grazing pressure. The seed size of Falcata alfalfa is much smaller than purple-flowered alfalfas, so using a small amount in a blend or for interseeding is sufficient.

AGRONOMICS

Planting Time	Spring, Late Summer/Early Fall, or Frost Seeding
Seeding Rate	Full Seeding Rate: 10 lbs/acre Interseeding into Existing Grass: 1-3 lbs/acre
Seeding Depth	1/2 inch
Package	1 lb bag, 50 lb bag