

BACKEN

BLACK OATS

About:

Backen black oat is a true *Avena strigosa* (also known as Bristle Oat) variety, bred by Pure-Seed Testing, and as such should not be confused with 'black' *Avena sativa* (common oat). Backen is a cool season annual cereal that provides great weed control, with the species having allelopathic effects on small seed species. True black oats are also known for inhibiting certain nematodes.

Preferred Soil Types:

Black oats do best on sandy or loamy soils but can also grow in heavy clay and soils with low nutrient value. It has some resistance to drought, and prefers full sun.

Uses:

Either alone or in a mixture, Backen provides very good erosion control and scavenge nitrogen very well, it also can be used for forage and pasture cover. It has high nutritional value and good digestibility for cattle.

Establishment:

Backen black oats are to be planted in the spring, however, in southern climates it can be planted in the fall. It is not frost hardy, and should die at low temperatures.

Traits:

- Great Weed Control
- Good Allelopathic Effects

Technical Summary

Crude Protein:	Excellent
Total Digestible Nutrients:	Excellent
Forage Yields (dry matter):	Excellent
Palatability:	★★★★★
Usage:	 
	Cutting Grazing