



Ruru White Clover

Legumes and Herbs

Stock Type Dairy, Sheep, Beef, Deer

Lusher, better, stronger. The new medium leaved white clover delivering more energy and protein in summer, plus extra nitrogen fixation too.

What makes it special?

Ruru is our upgraded replacement for *Weka*. It is similar in type, with more aggressive growth and higher year-round yield, particularly in summer.

System fit

All systems will benefit from *Ruru* - dairy, cattle, sheep and deer.

More free nitrogen

Higher yield means more free nitrogen for your farm, so you can save on fertiliser costs and lighten your footprint. *Ruru* grows enough extra to give you up to 14 kg nitrogen/ha/year more than some other similar clovers (based on a fixation rate of 28 kg nitrogen/ha per tonne of clover¹).

Shines in summer

Combined yields over two trials at Courtenay, Canterbury*

Entry	Autumn	Winter	Early Spring	Late Spring	Summer	Annual
<i>Ruru</i>	1584	648 b	1675	3286 a	3934 a	11625 a
<i>Weka</i>	1586	659 b	1663	3183 b	3752 b	11479 ab
<i>Tribute</i>	1585	748 a	1665	3076 c	3622 b	11152 b
Mean (kg DM/ha)	1577	673	1638	3101	3739	11180
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* Combined yields of two replicated, pure sward clover trials run 2016-19 and 2017-2018.

Treat animals in summer

Plenty of clover in summer keeps animals happy and productive. *Ruru* flourishes in warm weather, guaranteeing more energy and protein when grass is not always at its best.



Spot the difference! *Ruru* in mid January (right) is notably ahead of *Weka* (left), even though both were sown in Canterbury at the same time, with the same ryegrass, and managed identically.

Lasts in the pasture

Bred for high grazing tolerance, strong spreading growth and good tolerance of clover root weevil, *Ruru* is a stayer, not a sprinter.

Sowing *Ruru*

Dairy and cattle systems		kg/ha
Top cattle clover combination	Perennial ryegrass	18-30
	<i>Ruru</i> medium leaved white clover	2
	<i>Kotuku</i> large leaved white clover	2
	Total	22-34
Sheep and deer systems		kg/ha
Top sheep and deer cobination	Perennial ryegrass	18-30
	<i>Ruru</i> medium leaved white clover	2
	<i>Apex</i> small leaved white clover	2
	Total	22-34



Ruru white clover spreads strongly.

¹Lucas, R. J., Smith, M., Jarvis, P., Mills, A., & Moot, D. J. (2010). Nitrogen fixation by subterranean and white clovers in dryland cocksfoot pastures. New Zealand Grassland Association.

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