



Brassica feed values

Crops

Grow & Utilise

Typical feed values

These can vary widely between situations, cultivars, and time of year

Brassica	Part of plant	ME (MJ ME/kg DM)	Protein (%)
Kale	Whole plant	11-12	14-18
	Leaf	12-13	19-21
	Top third of stem	12-13	15-17
	Middle third of stem	11-12	12-14
	Bottom third of stem	9-11	8-10
Swedes	Whole plant	12	12-14
	Bulb	12-13	10-12
	Leaf	11-12	18-20
Turnips	Whole plant	12	14-16
	Bulb	12-13	12-14
	Leaf	11-12	18-20
Rape	Whole plant	11-12	17-20
	Leaf	11-12	18-20
	Stem	11	15-17
Leafy turnips	Leaf	11-12	18-20

The above are estimates. For exact feed values in individual farm crops, we recommend laboratory testing.



With kale, the upper part of the plant has the highest feed value. However, Bombardier EG kale has significantly improved lower stem quality.