

Warm and Cool?

TifBlair takes centipede northward.

Looking for the typical low-maintenance attributes of centipedegrass, but need a variety with more cold tolerance than the common type? TifBlair was specifically engineered for just that reason — to extend its growth range up into the middle and eastern areas of Virginia.

Bred by famed turfgrass geneticist Dr. Wayne Hanna at the Coastal Plains Experiment Station in Georgia, TifBlair was the first certified variety of centipede. This means that each plant has superior genetics and retains all the desirable characteristics that make centipedegrass such a popular lawn variety: its slow growth requires less mowing (once a month may be all it needs, depending on climate conditions and aesthetic desires); it produces a thick lawn that crowds out most weeds; and it requires very little fertilizer. Yet, with a deeper root system, TifBlair can handle harsher situations, making it more cold and drought tolerant than common centipede, and it holds its color longer in the fall. Reduced inputs and its natural strengths make TifBlair the environmentally friendly, easy-care choice. It's a win-win for everyone.

SodStar was one of the first licensed TifBlair growers in the Carolinas. For high-quality, low-maintenance TifBlair centipedegrass sod, Sod Star is your best source.

TifBlair
The Certified Centipede



TifBlair Centipedegrass

Attributes and Benefits

- ✔ Improved cold tolerance = can be grown in Zone 7.
- ✔ Slow shoot growth = reduced mowing.
- ✔ Certified variety = consistent color and texture.
- ✔ Tolerant of poor, acidic soils = needs little nitrogen or lime.
- ✔ Medium-width, soft leaf blade = easily mowed with rotary mower.
- ✔ Stolons only = easily edged around borders.
- ✔ Warm-season variety suited for Hardiness Zones 7B, 8A and 8B.

Best Management Practices

Sunlight Requirement: Best performance with at least 6 to 8 hours of sunlight per day.

Mowing: Best maintained at 1.5" to 2.5" (rotary mower).

Fertility: Recommended 0.5 to 1.5 lbs. N/1,000 ft²/year (best at 0.5 to 1 lb., as over-fertilization contributes to thatch development and disease problems). Thrives in acidic soil with 5.5 pH level.

Weed Control: All herbicides labeled for use on centipedegrass can be safely applied to SodStar's TifBlair centipedegrass. Always follow label instructions for herbicides.

Disease Control: Centipedegrass is not susceptible to most common turfgrass diseases. Always follow label instructions for fungicides.

For details on installation and maintenance, visit www.sodstar.com

Best Uses

Landscapes – low-maintenance lawns and commercial landscapes.

Public Parks

Highway rights-of-way.

Pedigree

Released in 2001, TifBlair centipedegrass was developed by renowned turfgrass researcher and geneticist Dr. Wayne Hanna at the Coastal Plains Experiment Station in Georgia.

SodStar's Quality Assurance — State Certified Sod

Choosing certified sod is the only way you can be certain that the variety you receive is exactly what you purchased. SodStar produces only "Blue Tag" certified TifBlair centipedegrass sod in accordance with state certification standards and protocols, ensuring genetic purity and uniformity, and a certification tag accompanies every order.



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Zoysiagrass: Zeon and Prizm • Centipede: TifBlair
Fescue/Bluegrass Mixture

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