

All Over Clover Lawn

No food required

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Creating a Micro Clover Lawn

Lawns over-seeded with micro clover are an excellent option for maintaining a healthy, dense lawn. Micro clover lawns stay green much longer than traditional lawns through summer dry periods and are generally unaffected by Metro Vancouver's wet winter conditions. Micro clover lawn mixes do not require fertilizer because the clover fixes nitrogen, bringing nitrogen from the air into the ground, enriching

the soil. This supports healthy growth of all plants in the area and helps the plants to naturally resist weeds. Yarrow is another common plant that is often found in lawns. Some consider it a weed, but it can help create diversity in your lawn, making it more likely to thrive and be resistant to pests.

Preparation

The best time of year to replace your turf lawn is when you can avoid frost and extreme heat, and when you can provide sufficient water while plants are establishing. Purchase micro clover seeds from your local seed store or nursery, you will need 2 to 4 pounds per 1000 sq ft. No lawn preparation is needed. Spread the seeds using a seed spreading device or by hand to evenly cover the area. Lightly water the lawn daily until the clover is easily visible. Check your municipal sprinkling regulations.



Properly Maintain your Micro Clover Lawn

Micro clover lawns do not need fertilizer, but may benefit from adding lime in the fall. Once the clover is thick enough, you can reduce mowing to once per month and allow the lawn to go dormant during summer dry periods. The lawn will survive and return to a lush green with fall rain.

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Local species to use as lawn alternatives

Micro clover

(*Trifolium repens* L.var.Pirouette)



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Yarrow

(*Achillea millefolium*)



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