

# INSTANT TURF SOLUTIONS



## Sir Walter Buffalo



Sir Walter is a superior quality soft buffalo grass giving unmatched performance for Australian conditions. Drought and shade tolerant, it requires minimal irrigation and fertiliser to maintain colour and can be mown short if in full sun.

## Eureka Kikuyu



Kikuyu has good drought tolerance and will rapidly self repair from wear. A true low maintenance grass, Kikuyu will stay green with minimal irrigation and fertility.

## Nullarbor Santa Ana Couch



This fine leafed couch grass is a warm season grass which thrives in sun and heat. A Nullarbor Santa Ana lawn is tough and durable and looks best when mown short. Excellent for high wear play areas as it will tolerate considerable traffic. Prefers 6-7 hours of sun daily. Ideal for north facing situations.

## RTF Tall Fescue



Perennial cool season bunch type grass that can be purchased in instant turf and seed. Extremely dark green colour all year round, can be maintained with adequate water in the summer. Ideal for front lawns and shaded areas. RTF cuts well with all mower types.



**Langwarrin**  
**Wantirna**  
**Thomastown**  
**Werribee**

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# PREPARE & LAY INSTANT TURF

## STEP 1 MEASURING & ORDERING

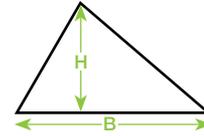
With a tape, measure the area of your planned lawn, include these measurements on a sketch of the lawn area with the length and width and any unusual features. We can determine the amount of turf you will need from your sketch. If the area is of a rectangular shape, then all you need do is phone the measurements through and we will work it out for you.

Schedule your order for delivery of turf after preparatory work is completed and you are ready to install. Prompt installation on the day of delivery is crucial to a strong beginning of your lawn.



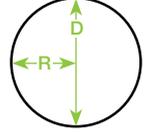
**Square/Rectangle**

L = length  
W = width  
Area:  $L \times W = m^2$   
Eg.  $4 \times 5 = 20m^2$



**Triangle**

Area:  $\frac{1}{2}B \times H = m^2$   
Eg. if  $B=10$  &  $H=9$   
 $\frac{1}{2}10 \times 9 = 45m^2$



**Circle**

D = diameter  
R = radius  
Area:  $R \times R \times 3.14 = m^2$   
Eg.  $6 \times 6 = 36$   
 $36 \times 3.14 = 113.04m^2$

## STEP 2 SOIL PREPARATION

For best results, rotary hoe or dig the area to a depth of 100mm to 150mm. Eliminate drainage problems by having soil slope away from the house, etc. Check to see that your soil does not require lime. If it does, apply at the recommended dose, then rake in a complete lawn starter fertiliser.

Rake and smooth the soil removing any rocks, roots and large clods. Roll and consolidate the soil lightly - this will firm the soil surface and reveal any low areas that need more soil. Keep the soil level 20mm below paths, etc. Water the prepared area to settle the soil and provide a moist base for the turf.

## STEP 3 TURF INSTALLATION

**Install your lawn immediately upon delivery. Begin watering the grass within 30 minutes of installation.**

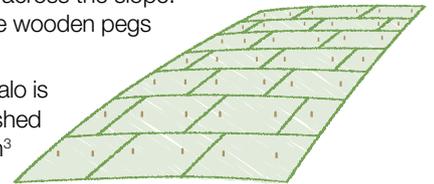
Turf is a living plant that requires ground contact and moisture to survive. In hot weather, protect unlaidd turf by placing stacks in shade, or lightly sprinkling with water.

Begin installing turf along the longest straight line such as a driveway or path. Butt and push edges and ends against each other tightly, without stretching. Avoid gaps or over lapping. Stagger the joints in each row in a brick like fashion, using a large knife to trim corners, etc. Avoid leaving small strips at outer edges as they won't retain moisture.

To eliminate causing indentations or air pockets avoid walking or kneeling on turf while it is being installed or just after watering. After installing the turf, rolling the entire area to improve turf/soil contact and remove air pockets is beneficial.

On slopes place turf across the slope. On steep slopes, use wooden pegs to anchor the turf.

We recommend Buffalo is topdressed with washed sand at a rate of  $\frac{1}{2}m^3$  per  $100m^2$ .



## STEP 4 WATERING

Give your new grass lawn at least 25mm of water within half an hour of installation. Water daily or more often, keeping turf moist until it is firmly rooted (about 2 weeks). These first two weeks are the most critical time for the turf. **Do not allow turf to dry out.**

Then less frequent and deeper watering should begin. Weather conditions will dictate the amount and frequency of watering. Be certain that your new lawn has enough moisture to survive hot, dry or windy periods. Water areas near buildings more often where reflected heat dries the turf.



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