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Elego Winter Rye

- High untreated yield potential
- Good disease resistance
- Early-medium maturity
- Competitive to weeds
- Dual purpose – feeding and milling

Elego is a population winter rye, bred by the Austrian plant breeder Edelhoff one of the country's most established rye breeders. Elego is equally useful as a forage or a grain rye. Now coming up to its 4th year of commercial use in the UK it is becoming increasingly popular with both growers and millers.

"Elego is doing a great job this season of smothering out weeds. Again, we grazed the crop quite hard with sheep and it bounced back well. Again, this rye went to both a local miller and a local dairy farmer who is still seeing the benefits of feeding rye."

– Mike Stringer, arable farmer, Yorkshire

An excellent choice for light, drought-prone land

Elego is an early to medium maturing dual-purpose variety with high untreated grain yield potential and an excellent disease resistance profile. Like triticale it is an excellent crop for drought prone, light land, where its long rooting system is ideal for scavenging for water and nutrients. The variety is tolerant of poor harvest conditions and its good stable Hagberg makes it an ideal variety for milling.



The ideal forage or cover crop variety

Elego can be drilled across a wide window while still being early to mature. It is particularly good at tillering and drilling can begin from early September through to the end of autumn. As a tall variety, Elego has the ability to outcompete weeds which also makes it highly suited as a cover crop, either sown on its own or within a mixture, especially with winter vetches. Having the ability to grow in cooler soil temperatures than most grass species, Elego is the ideal forage crop for both late autumn grazing and to give an early bite in the spring.

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