

Yorkshire Fog - *Holcus lanatus*



Description

Yorkshire fog is a grass that grows in tufts of softly hairy leaf blades up to 10mm wide, with a slightly grey-green colour. The flower head is grey-green to pink tinged, soft textured and opens to a spread form throughout spring and summer (L+M). Closed form (R).

The species is widespread, growing on neutral soils of varying moisture content in various grass communities and woodland, in particular W10. The species can be indicative of high levels of nitrogen caused by agricultural fertilisers. All grasses can compete with newly planted trees and effective weed control should be utilised.

Soil regimes

Soil reaction (R)	6
Nitrogen availability (N)	5

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