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## Alamo Switchgrass (*Panicum virgatum*)

Alamo, a new variety of Switchgrass (*Panicum Virgatum* L.) released by



The Texas Agricultural Experiment Station & was originally selected on the north bank of the Frio River by Soil Conservation Service Personnel. Plants are blue-green and usually slightly waxy. They are taller than the Blackwell variety; with stems larger and the leaves usually longer and wider. Flowering occurs 1 to 2 months later than in Blackwell. Seed are smooth and shiny, with about 426,000 per pound.

**Establishment/Management:** Plant in early spring on clean seedbed and firm soil. Fertilize according to soil test and keep weed free until well established. Grazing after stand is well established with good management practices only.

**Adaptation/Use:** Alamo is adapted to central and south Texas where rainfall is 25 inches or more per year. Performance has been good on all kinds of soils from clays to fine sands. Alamo responds well to fertilization and irrigation in areas with less than 25 inches of precipitation.

Alamo can be used in pure stands for pasture hay, or in range seeding mixtures for warm-season grazing. It is easily established on watershed structure burns to control erosion above the water-line and provides food and cover for wildlife species. Seed may be either direct combined or swathed and combined. Up to 300 lbs. per acre is common after stand is well established.

Forage yield has varied from 2-7 tons per acre per year depending on location and fertilizer application.





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