

Diamond Brand Gives You Options

Looking for options on small custom packaging? If so, consider our Diamond Brand packaging. Our Diamond bags are eye-catching, yet clean and simple. Best of all, the Diamond Brand bag program is designed to be both a turnkey packaging solution as well as a do-it-yourself program.

As a turnkey solution, you simply bring us your seed and packaging requirements and we provide you a finished line.

As a do-it-yourself program, we provide you with the bags, tags, and whatever seed you need. You fill them and customize them at your facility.

Diamond bags are available in five sizes and six colors. To learn more about the Diamond Brand packaging solutions, call us or visit DiamondTurfgrass.com.



Crop Competition Continues

In 2013, Oregon growers added about 3,000 acres of hazelnut trees; an increase of 10%. That might not seem much compared to the 400,000+ acres of grass seed production, but it represents a continuing trend and recognition of the value of Oregon farmland. As with other crops, it's not necessarily the US market that is the big attraction, but the international market. Regardless, increased interest in long-term crops like trees, berries (see photo), grapes add to the challenge of growing turf and forage crops in the Willamette Valley. Unlike rotation to wheat, or other short-term crops, these changes take land out of potential turf and forage seed production for many years. By the way, there are now more acres in the Willamette Valley planted to hazelnuts than legumes. - Sources: Capital Press, Oregon State University



How Grass Grows Part 10 Seasonal Development; Warm-Season Grasses:

"Warm-season grasses have a uni-modal growth pattern. They are dormant through the winter and slowly re-grow leaves and roots as temperatures increase in mid-spring. Maximum shoot and root growth occurs during summer temperatures of 80-95°F; 27-35°C, then slows dramatically in the fall as temperatures drop into the 50's. Leaf senescence and cessation of shoot growth occurs following successive frost events." - VA Tech's How Grass Grows interactive presentation. This is the last of the How Grass Grows series. See full presentation under our Resources at SmithSeed.com

