



DOUGLASS KING SEED CO.

Indiangrass (*Sorghastrum nutans*)



A native, perennial, warm-season bunchgrass with short rhizomes and rather coarse stems. A robust, vigorous plant, 3-8 ft. tall, with coarse leaves blue to pea-green colored and panicles 8-12 inches long, bronze to yellow colored. Flowers in late September and October and spreads by seed and rhizomes. Cold and drought tolerant; a very palatable grass.

Establishment/Management: Seed in close-drilled grain sorghum stubble in spring before weeds start, in clean-tilled land after ground is warm, or on ranges (either alone or in mixtures) in spring where soil has been disturbed by brush control practices.

Rows: 1.0-2.0 PLS per acre. **Broadcast:** 3.5 PLS per acre.

Cover seed 1/4 inch. Well prepared seedbed is very important; also in many instances the use of protective stubble and hay mulch is most satisfactory to prevent sheet erosion and crusting.

Because of its high palatability, good grazing management is necessary; protect from grazing and control weeds until good stand of well-rooted plants is established. Cultivate to control weeds, or mow broadcast plantings.



Cut hay when about half the seed heads are in bloom; combine seed when grain is in hard-dough stage. Dry land seed yields 200-300 lbs. per acre. Irrigated seed yields 500-800 lbs.

Adaptation/Use: Adapted for range and pasture in Texas and western Oklahoma, grows best in meadows and lowlands along streams, but also grows on sandy to clay upland ranges. Used for grazing, seed and hay.



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