

10 Ways to Boost Your Bottom Line with a Leafy Corn Silage



1. **PLANT 20% LESS SEED**

Plant your Leafy at 28,000 - 30,000 ppa to produce the optimal silage crop. You'll need to plant a dual-purpose hybrid at 35,000 ppa to get its best yield.

2. **MAXIMIZE TONNAGE**

At 28,000-30,000 ppa, Leafies tend to produce the same or higher yields of DM per acre than dual purpose and BMR hybrids planted at 35,000 ppa.

3. **MAXIMIZE YOUR HARVEST WINDOW**

With a Leafy, you're more likely to chop and store your best silage crop and avoid added costs of trying to salvage silage that was harvested too dry. Leafies dry slowly for silage security.

4. **PAY LESS FOR CUSTOM CHOPPING**

Leafies produce large, moist kernels that are designed to break-up during chopping. Ease off on the kernel processor to speed-up harvest. You'll save money and retain effective fiber.

5. **REDUCE STORAGE SPACE BY 25%**

Soft starch type and high sugar content at harvest allow Leafies to be fed as soon as 30 days after harvest, or as soon as fermentation is complete. That's five months sooner than dual purpose and BMR hybrids. You'll need less silage on hand and that frees up a lot of space.

6. **MINIMIZE DRY MATTER LOSSES**

Leafy's shorter required storage time can reduce dry matter losses and retain silage quality. Lose less, feed more.

7. **REDUCE KERNEL PASSAGE & SORTING**

Leafies and Floury Leafies have been shown to have more digestible kernels than dual purpose and BMR hybrids. When you feed a Leafy, more starch will be used as fuel. And because it fractures into small particles, it is less likely to be sorted during feeding.

8. REDUCE ADDITIVES

The increased starch digestibility of Leafy and Floury Leafy Corn Silage Hybrids allows for a reduction in concentrate corn in the ration over a dual purpose or BMR, and you'll never need to add straw to gain effective fiber.

9. ENJOY HIGH MILK PRODUCTION

Leafy and Floury Leafy Corn Silage Hybrids have been shown to produce high quantities of milk in feed studies. They are competitive in feed efficiency and milk production relative to competing products.

10. INCREASE 3.5% FAT CORRECTED MILK

In feed studies, Leafy and Floury Leafies have been shown to produce milk with a higher percentage of milk fat than dual purpose hybrids and BMRs, and depending on how you sell your milk, this could be a big bonus.

