

# MARCO

## THE EXTREMELY FAST MATURING SUMMER TURNIP

Marco is a tetraploid tankard type summer turnip, having a maturity of 55-65 days from sowing to grazing.

Marco has a high root to leaf ratio, with large bulb size and good bulb storage ability (longer than its maturity). It has high grazing preference, is highly palatable, has excellent bolting resistance and high club root resistance.

Marco can be used as a high yielding spring or summer sown turnip crop in all parts of New Zealand, and with all livestock types. Its very short interval to grazing means less time out of pasture and sowing date flexibility. Marco can also be late sown, such as after previous crop failure.



### Agronomic traits

- Ploidy: Tetraploid
- Bolting resistance: 9 \*
- Growth peak: summer
- Maturity (days to graze): 55-65
- Sowing depth (mms): 10
- Sowing rate (kg/ha): 1-3

\* 1= low 9= high

### Benefits

- Extremely fast maturing summer turnip (only 55-65 days from sowing to grazing)
- Less time out of production
- Sowing date flexibility - can be used for late sowing, or where crop failure occurs
- Two Marco crops in one season are possible
- Large bulbs, with high bulb to leaf ratio
- Bulb retains its quality for as long as 90 days after sowing
- Tetraploid quality traits

**High-yielding spring or summer-sown turnip, fast to establish with a high bulb-to-leaf ratio. Tolerant to club root and bolting, it offers excellent storage potential and can produce two crops or be sown late after failure.**

**AVERAGE METABOLISABLE ENERGY CONTENT  
AT 50 DAYS FROM TWO CROPMARK TRIALS**



**AVERAGE TOTAL DRY MATTER/HA GROWN FROM TWO CROPMARK TRIALS  
AT OHAUPO AND TE PUKE**

