

# Turf

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# **Quality Turf: £4.99 per roll** (Aylett Stock Code: 443040)

General purpose turf, giving good texture and colour, containing a mixture of dwarf perennial ryegrass, slender creeping Red Fescue, smooth stalked meadow grass, Chewings Fescue.

## SIZE

1 sq. metre - approx. 61cm x 164cm

1.196 sq. yard - approx. 24" x 64.6"

Deliveries available at our normal delivery charge (kerb side only). Small quantities available for collection. Please enquire to ensure availability, usually Friday / Saturday / Sunday.

This calculator will help you to work out the number of rolls of turf required to cover an area when measurements are given in feet.

These figures allow for shaping and cutting approx. 5% extra. To calculate larger areas: Total sq. feet x 0.093, then 5% for shaping.

Feet	5ft	6ft	7ft	8ft	9ft	10ft	11ft	12ft	13ft	14ft	15ft
2ft	1	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3
3ft	2	2	2	3	3	3	4	4	4	4	5
4ft	2	3	3	4	4	4	5	5	5	6	6
5ft	3	3	4	4	5	5	6	6	7	7	8
6ft	3	4	4	5	6	6	7	7	8	9	9
7ft	4	4	5	6	7	7	8	9	9	10	11
8ft	4	5	6	7	7	8	9	10	11	11	12
9ft	5	6	7	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
10ft	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
11ft	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
12ft	6	7	9	10	11	12	13	14	16	17	18
13ft	7	8	9	11	12	13	14	16	17	18	19
14ft	7	8	10	11	13	14	15	17	18	20	21
15ft	8	9	11	12	14	15	16	18	19	21	22
16ft	8	10	11	13	14	16	18	19	21	22	24
17ft	9	10	12	14	15	17	19	20	22	24	25
18ft	9	11	13	14	16	18	20	21	23	25	27
19ft	10	12	13	15	17	19	21	23	24	26	28
20ft	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30

<sup>\*</sup>Please note: The conversion from feet to rolls of turf is approximate and is done to give customers guidance.

## **TURF SECRETS**

Keep rolled turf wet by covering with damp sacks or carpet.

Lay or unrolled within 24 hours of purchase.

Always water the newly laid turf within 15 minutes of laying it.

The worst condition for laying turf is at + 85°F (29°C) with a wind. The delicate turf roots are literally cooked at this temperature. But success is possible, even against the worst odds, if water is used immediately.

A good habit to develop is to have the hose and sprinkler ready before you begin to turf. This greatly increases the reaction time to water as soon as a big enough area is laid. It may mean that someone will get wet, but that would be considered a benefit on a hot day!

## LAWNS FROM TURF

#### Cultivation

Kill weeds, using a systemic weed killer, 2-3 weeks before digging. Dig deeply but do not bring subsoil to the surface. Clear all large stones and weeds.

# **Preparation**

If soil is heavy or poorly drained, work in a layer of well rotted manure or organic matter and coarse grit as this helps to break down clay and assist drainage. Rake in a fine tilth, incorporating a general fertiliser. Tread over to firm, re-rake and re-tread, at right angles to the first treading until level and firm, with a fine top. Good preparation will save a lot of work later.

# Laying the Turf

Start laying from one edge and work forward, laying a board over the first row to stand on. Move the board to the second row and so on. Stagger joints like brickwork and press each turf firmly against the preceding one. Allow an overhang round the edges of the lawn - this can be cut off if necessary once the lawn has established. Sweep the lawn thoroughly to remove any debris. Water thoroughly, preferably with a sprinkler.

#### Care

Never let the turf dry out as this will cause shrinkage. Leave at least 3-5 days before mowing, and then only with the blades 25mm high. Turf laid in autumn or early winter may not need mowing until spring, but can be mown in mild periods. If there is any shrinkage, fill the cracks with a mix of sand and peat or potting compost.

# Calculating the area

To convert sq. feet to sq. yards ÷ 9
To convert sq. metres to sq. yards x 1.196

To calculate a circle, measured in metres (feet/inches), radius x radius x 3.142 = sq. metres (sq. feet)

**CAUTION: WET TURVES CAN BE VERY HEAVY** 

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