



Fact Sheet

FINELLA

Tall Fescue

Festuca arundinacea Schreber

Fine leaved tall fescue

Things to know

Like its sister variety Rohrella, Finella is characterised above all by its fine leaves, which make it more palatable for livestock. Finella is not on the list of recommended varieties in Switzerland, but was authorised in Austria in 2023.

Descent

Base material

Selection within Agroscope breeding material of the varieties Belfine, Molva and Dauphine

M0 seed

Row trial 2010 (FA1005) with seed harvest on 7 half-sib progenies from a polycross with 7 components

Literature

Frick R., Suter D., E. Dereuder, Hirschi H.-U., 2020. Sortenprüfung mit Rohrschwengel: zwei neue Sorten ersetzen Dauphine. Agrarforschung Schweiz 11(1), 210-215

National listing

Situation in Switzerland

Further registered in the following countries
AUT

Agronomic characteristics

Results of the official Swiss variety trials 2017-2019
(Frick et al. 2020)

	FINELLA	Mean
Yield	5.6	5.7
General impression	2.9	3.0
Juvenile growth	3.4	4.3
Competing ability	3.4	3.5
Persistence	3.0	2.8
Resistance to winter conditions	4.6	4.6
Resistance to leafspots a rust	3.9	3.8
Digestibility of the organic matter	7.0	5.1
Fineness of leaves	3.3	3.7
Index (weighted average of all notes)	4.2	4.0

Scoring scale 1 = very good; 5 = medium; 9 = very poor
Yield Mean of 5 experimental sites over 2 years
Mean Mean value of standard varieties

Description according to UPOV guidelines

DUS test conducted at L'Anjouère, GEVES (FRA), 2017-2022

UPOV No	Characteristics	State of expression	Note
1	Ploidy		6
3	Foliage: fineness	fine to medium	4
4	Leaf: intensity of green color	medium	5
8	Time of inflorescence emergence (after vernalization)	medium to late	6
12	Flag leaf: length	medium to long	6
13	Flag leaf: width	narrow to medium	4
14	Plant: length of longest stem including inflorescence	medium to long	6

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