



PASTURE: BOTTLE BRUSH- LOCAL

PRODUCTION POTENTIAL:

- Dry matter production: 3 – 7 t/ha/annum

TYPE

- Sub-tropical, Grass

PRODUCTION PERIOD

- Perennial, Summer

STRENGTHS:

- Easy to establish and tolerant to drought
- Poor stands thicken up with time if it is well managed
- Excellent foggage - grass grown for winter grazing.

FEEDING VALUE:

- Crude protein: 7 -12 %
- Digestibility: 48-58 %

USES:

- Grazing, hay & foggage - grass grown for winter grazing.

SOIL REQUIREMENTS:

- Best adapted to sandy soil types, tolerates loam and gravelly soils
- pH from 5.8 – 6.8

ESTABLISHMENT:

- Plant during October – February
- Seeding rate of 5 – 6 kg/ha dryland

MORPHOLOGICAL DESCRIPTION

- Tufted grass, grows 0.3 – 1.5 m tall
- Short sturdy rhizomes
- Leaf blade is green to blue-green; flat; linear; 10 – 15 cm x 3 x 5 mm; tapering to a soft point
- 350 000 – 380 000 seeds/kg

Anthephora pubescens