



# WL 538HQ

FD8

NON-DORMANT



## NON-DORMANT YIELD POTENTIAL LEADER

WL 538HQ is a Fall Dormant 8, and is adapted to traditional western and southwestern non-dormant zones. This variety combines exceptional yield and good forage quality potential along with exceptional stand persistence. This variety is an excellent choice for forage production in the non-dormant regions of the U.S. replacing WL 535HQ.

### WL 538HQ Advantages

- Winter-active, non-dormant FD=8.0
- Very high yield potential across a wide range of soil types and harvest schedules
- Highly resistant to all major aphid pests
- Resistant to all major nematode pests
- WL 538HQ is highly palatable; optimizes intake, milk production, and can help lower feed costs and increase profit potential
- Ideal variety for the cash hay producer: WL 538HQ supports high yield potential of leafy, fine-stemmed hay with high feed value and dark green color
- Outstanding persistence and long stand life even under intensive cutting schedules
- Very strong disease resistance package (including HR to Phytophthora Root Rot, Fusarium Wilt and Anthracnose Race 1) promotes fast stand establishment and longer stand life
- Excellent tolerance to leaf diseases provides improved leaf retention, higher protein levels, and greater forage quality
- Fast recovery after cutting

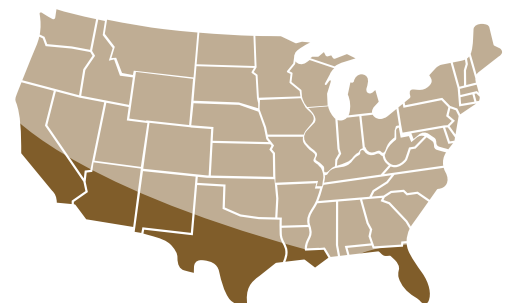
#### AGRONOMIC TRAITS

Fall Dormancy	8.0
Winter Activity	High
Digestibility/Feed Value	Superior
Persistence Index	Excellent
Recovery After Harvest	Fast
Standability	Excellent
Traffic Tolerance	Very Good
Salt Tolerance	Germination

#### PEST RESISTANCE TRAITS

Bacterial Wilt	R
Fusarium Wilt	HR
Verticillium Wilt	R
Anthracnose (Race 1)	HR
Phytophthora Root Rot	HR
Aphanomyces (Race 1)	MR
Spotted Alfalfa Aphid	HR
Pea Aphid	HR
Blue Alfalfa Aphid	HR
Stem Nematode	HR

HR = HIGH RESISTANCE R = RESISTANT MR = MODERATE RESISTANCE



Area of Primary Adaptation

## WL 538HQ Delivers

WL 538HQ can deliver big yield potential, exceptional feed value, and outstanding profit potential for both dairy and cash hay producers. WL 538HQ carries on the great HQ tradition set by WL 535HQ. Intense selection for parent plants with high forage quality traits (high % crude protein and excellent fiber digestibility) has resulted in an HQ alfalfa variety with superior hay quality. High forage yield potential plus exceptional feed value can equal greater profit potential, and WL 538HQ delivers.

## WL 538HQ Outyields the Competition\*

Davis, CA 2015-2017	
Variety	Yield (T/A)
<b>WL 538HQ</b>	<b>113</b>
HybriForce 800	99
CW 704	95

Los Banos, CA 2015-2017	
Variety	Yield (T/A)
<b>WL 538HQ</b>	<b>115</b>
HybriForce 800	99
CW 704	96

Davis, CA 2018-2020	
Variety	Yield (T/A)
<b>WL 538HQ</b>	<b>109</b>
Magna 80IFQ	102
HybriForce 800	98

\* Results are based on controlled field trials at the listed W-L Alfalfas location. Results may vary and are dependent on factors outside of W-L Alfalfa's control, such as weather. Yield, profit and other results cannot be predicted or guaranteed by W-L Alfalfas.

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