

# BADGER brand

## Daikon Cover Crop Radish

It all starts with the taproot. Seed selected to go into the **Badger brand** bag has an aggressive taproot that can drill through compaction where steel can not, allowing for root channels for subsequent crops to access much needed nutrients and water. **Badger brand** radish has significantly more roots than that of rye or rape. Upon decomposition, these roots leave the mined nutrients in the upper 10" of soil where the subsequent crop needs it and it leaves holes in the ground allowing improved water infiltration and aeration allowing water into the soil profile instead of in road ditches and streams. It has been shown that the use of cover crop radish can boost subsequent crop yields with many studies showing yield improvements of 10% or more. **Badger brand's** thick leaf canopy can also be used to reduce/eliminate weeds, not only by shading them out during the radish growing season, but also by forming a thin film over the soil after the radish has been frozen out.

### APPLICATIONS

- Excellent for reducing compaction
- Excellent for nutrient mining
- Well suited for erosion control, weed control and soil tilth improvement
- Greatly improves water infiltration

### FEATURES

- Large tap root
- Deep reaching secondary roots
- Thick top growth

### PERFORMANCE INFO

1. Taproot often reaches depths of 30" or more depending on soil and planting conditions.
2. Reports of daikon radishes capturing 150 - 200 pounds of nitrogen per acre before winter killing.
3. Improvements in following corn yields by as much as 10% depending on soil and planting conditions.
4. Improvements in following soybean yields by as much as 10% depending on soil and planting conditions.



### MANAGEMENT

- Seeding Rate (Drilling): 10-12 pounds per acre
- Seeding Rate (Broadcast/Aerial): 12-15 pounds/acre
- Seeding Date: August thru September (earlier in the North and later in the South)
- Planting Depth: 1/4—1/2 inch

### BENEFITS

- Ideal for busting through compaction layer as well as leaving holes in the soil after decay
- Allows for mining of lost nutrients and developing root channels for subsequent crops
- Develops a mat over the soil surface which shades out weed growth as well as a source of high quality forage for deer and livestock

AVAILABLE THROUGH



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