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ECO FLAKE SHAVINGS – Not Just Bedding!

Eco Flake shavings are an eco-friendly, softwood byproduct that is obtained when wood is shaped or planed using carpentry tools or machines like planers and milling machines. These shavings are then kiln-dried.

Shavings are typically used for animal bedding because pine has naturally occurring, odor-absorbing oils that have antibacterial and ammonia-reducing properties which give pine its great aromatic scent. Studies show that it also repels flies, fleas and other insects.



Alternative uses include:

- Using as mulch for gardens, to prevent weeds and keep plant roots cool when they are spread around plants and shrubs.
- Spreading over grass seed, instead of straw because:
 - Shavings break down much quicker than straw, leaving only the lush green grass to see; whereas, you will still see straw a year after planting the grass.
 - Due to the natural insecticidal properties, this may give you a healthier lawn and be an added protection for children and pets playing on your lawn.
 - No mess when hauling - Eco Flake shavings are sold in plastic bags; hauling straw can be messy.
 - Shavings go farther than a bale of straw. You need very little to cover the seed and keep the birds from eating them. 1 package of Eco Flake shavings is approximately equivalent to 1 ½ bales of straw; making it more affordable.

GET RID OF THE JAPANESE BEETLES

Now is the time that the Japanese beetles are laying eggs. You may think you are seeing less of them, but in reality, they are building their army for next year.



The best defense is to stop them before they have an opportunity to grow. Spread Award with Merit Grub control on your lawn. As the larvae emerge from the eggs the pests have the least amount of resistance to pesticides. The new grubs will start feeding on plant and lawn roots. Merit attacks the central nervous system of the grub, causing paralysis and death. With a 3 month application window, spreading in late July/early August will take you through Fall. Apply again, in the Spring, after your 1st mowing.

*“This morning,
the sun endures
past dawn. I
realize that it
is August:
The Summer's
Last Stand.”*

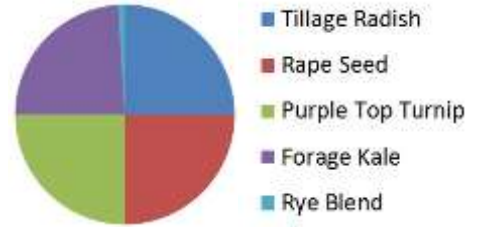
— Sara Baume



Food Plot 101: Hohl's Fall Mix

In preparation for Fall and Winter, Hohl's Fall Mix is a wonderful source of nutrients for the Deer. This hearty, brassica blend provides an excellent source of energy during winter.

Deer are attracted to the radish tops first, and will readily consume the green forage before a frost. The forage contains greater than 30% crude protein with the roots containing more than 20% protein; they are highly digestible.



Currently, rape is the most common brassica planted in food plots for deer, and it has many benefits. Rape is very cold tolerant, which along with nutritional quality, is one of its greatest attributes as a deer forage. Rape contains greater than 30 percent crude protein and approximately 15 percent acid detergent fiber, which means; it is highly digestible and deer can utilize the nutrients efficiently.



Purple Top Turnips contain 15 – 20% protein in the leaves and the roots. Deer seldom eat the tops until they have become more mature or have experienced a good frost. This is primarily because younger leaves tend to be bitter while older leaves have converted more starch into sugars, which makes them sweeter and more attractive to deer. This often means that turnip leaves are still around in winter and fill a potential nutrition gap for whitetails in that season.

Kale, also in the brassica family, is a highly preferred forage in food plots, containing up 25% protein in its leaves. Kale has the highest cold tolerance of all the Brassicas; it is loaded with vitamins A, C and the B group.

The Rye blend provides tender greens that are highly palatable and attractive to deer throughout 3 seasons; Fall, Winter and Spring. Rye also has an Allelopathis effect on smaller weed seeds that helps prevent smaller weed seeds from germinating. It's rapid cool weather growth makes it ideal for smothering out weeds also.

Hohl's Fall Mix, an annual Brassica blend, is perfectly formulated to provide consistent and nutritious, quality results.

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