

# Alpha Creeping Bentgrass

**Alpha** is the first of a new generation of creeping bentgrass, with qualities never before seen in golf turf:

- “Championship greens without the championship maintenance”
- Ball marks, divots heal rapidly
- Unparalleled ground coverage and density
- Dollar spot resistance equal to the best
- Rich green color
- Makes visible gains on *Poa annua* each year
- Great for GREENS, TEES and FAIRWAYS!



## CHARACTERISTICS:

**“The Forgiving Bentgrass”** – The single biggest factor that sets **Alpha** apart is ground coverage. **Alpha** retains ground coverage under some incredibly tough growing conditions.

### **TESTIMONIAL: Sand Ridge CC, Chardon, OH**

*“We had cottage guests at the course who took quite a few wedge shots off our bent test plots, leaving big divots all across the plots. Four weeks later, I was showing a visitor around. The divots were still apparent on the A’s and L-93 but they were gone on the Alpha plots. I mean, we could still feel the depressions in the Alpha plots but the divots were filled solid.”*

– Jim Roney, golf course superintendent

**Aggressive against Poa** – At Jacklin Seed, we test every single bent strain in our breeding program against *Poa annua*. If it can’t hold up against *Poa*, we pitch it. All of the plants that went into **Alpha** excelled at keeping *Poa* at bay. In fact, they made visible gains against *Poa* every year.

**Optimized for the mid-budget golf course** – Unlike some earlier bents, **Alpha** was bred and optimized with the mid-budget golf course in mind. **Alpha** provides tournament-quality golf for every golf course.

**Breeding - Alpha** was bred from golf course selections and from elite lines in the variety, Putter. About 20% of its germplasm originated from New England courses and 30% from collections in the Carolinas. **Alpha**’s breeder block consisted of spaced-plant progenies of selected populations, modeled after how L-93, Pennlinks and most modern bents are assembled.