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Bahiagrass

Introduction: Bahiagrass (*Paspalum notatum*) is an aggressive mat-forming perennial in many southern lawns. It is a warm season grass that spreads by seeds and shallow underground rhizomes. It is native to South America and is common in the Gulf States.

Description: Bahiagrass is best known for its seedhead which normally has two branches that form a “Y” shape. The rhizomes are usually thick and have a purplish or reddish color. Leaves are somewhat folded and smooth on both surfaces.

Preemergence Control: For *Centipedegrass*, *St. Augustinegrass*, dormant *Bermudagrass*, and *Zoysiagrass*. Apply Atrazine as labeled for fair, (70-79), suppression. Do