

RAVISH RADISH INSTRUCTIONS:

Seedbed Preparation

1. Select a site with medium to well-drained soil.
2. For optimum results perform a laboratory soil test in advance of planting to determine lime and fertilizer requirements. If using Whitetail Institute's laboratory, check the Ravish Radish box on submittal form. If using another lab, test for Forage Radish. Whitetail Institute's soil test submittal forms can be purchased and downloaded at: <https://whitetailinstitute.com/soil-test-kit-download-version/>.
3. Add the amount of lime recommended in your soil-test report. If no soil test is available, then add a minimum of 1/2 ton of lime per 1/4 acre. For best results, disk or till the lime thoroughly into the top few inches of the seedbed. If possible, lime should be added several months in advance of planting. **DO NOT SKIP THIS STEP! MAKING SURE SOIL pH IS OPTIMUM (6.5-7.0) IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING YOU CAN CONTROL TO ENSURE SUCCESSFUL PLANTING!**
4. Disk or till to prepare a good seedbed. If possible, perform this step two weeks before planting to help reduce the amount of weed seed that might germinate.
5. Add the fertilizer recommended in your soil-test report to the seedbed. If no soil test is available, then add 100lbs. of 17-17-17, or equivalent, fertilizer per 1/4 acre.
6. Lightly disk or till the fertilizer into the top few inches of the seedbed.
7. Smooth and firm the seedbed with a drag or cultipacker. For the best results, complete all steps in the order shown. Stay within the planting dates for your area as shown on the map. Cutting corners can negatively affect your results!

Planting

1. Broadcast seed at the rate shown on the front of the bag.
2. **DO NOT COVER THE SEED:** If you used a drag in Step 7, do nothing further after you put out the seed. If you used a cultipacker in Step 7, then cultipack again after seeding to help establish good seed-to-soil contact.
3. **Optional:** For best results, fertilize again 30 to 45 days after planting with 25 pounds of 34-0-0 or equivalent high Nitrogen fertilizer per ¼ acre. **APPLY FERTILIZER WHEN PLANTS ARE DRY!** *Optional Tip for Monitoring browsing Pressure:* After planting, place a small wire basket over a portion of your planting so that wildlife cannot browse inside it. Watch the difference inside and outside the basket to gauge browsing pressure.