

# LawnCentral

## Getting to Know Your New Lawn



### Centipede

A warm season grass with a medium to light green color. It's a low maintenance, slow growing creeping grass. Centipede is well adapted to sandy and acidic soils. The slow vertical growth of Centipede means less mowing.

**Its thick lateral growth crowds out most weeds and it requires very little fertilization.**



**ATTRIBUTES**  
Coarse blade,  
dense sod



**SUNLIGHT**  
6-8 hours of sun



**WATER**  
Medium to low  
once established



**WEAR**  
Avoid excessive  
foot traffic

## CARING FOR YOUR CENTIPEDE LAWN



### SPRING

#### Maintenance

In early spring, rake up any debris. Use **Scotts® WeedEx™ Prevent with Halts®** if needed. Four weeks later, follow with **Scotts® Turf Southern Builder® Triple Action** for a lush, green lawn. Fill in bare spots with **Harmony® sod**, available by the piece at your home improvement center.

#### Watering

During dormancy, water when there is no rain for 3-4 weeks to prevent dehydration. Especially if warm days are followed by cold ones, moisture keeps the lawn warm.

#### Mowing

Mow at about 1".



### SUMMER

#### Maintenance

In early summer, feed with **Scotts® Turf Builder® SummerGuard® Lawn Food** to strengthen the lawn, helping it withstand heat and drought conditions. It slow-releases nutrients, making it the go-to fertilizer for all grass types.

#### Watering

Water deeply and infrequently. When the lawn appears dry, apply ¾-1" of water. A dark, bluish-gray color, foot printing, and wilted, folded or curled leaves indicate it's time to water.

#### Mowing

Mow at 1-2" depending on how often the lawn is mowed and its condition. Mow lawn in partial shade areas at 2".



### FALL/WINTER

#### Maintenance

In cooler weather, use a slow-release fertilizer like **Scotts® Turf Builder® WinterGuard® Fall Lawn Food**, to strengthen the lawn's roots. It feeds the lawn consistently and is better for the environment.

#### Watering

Water until the lawn becomes dormant. Especially if warm days are followed by cold ones, moisture keeps the lawn warm.

#### Mowing

Mow at 2" until the last frost.

