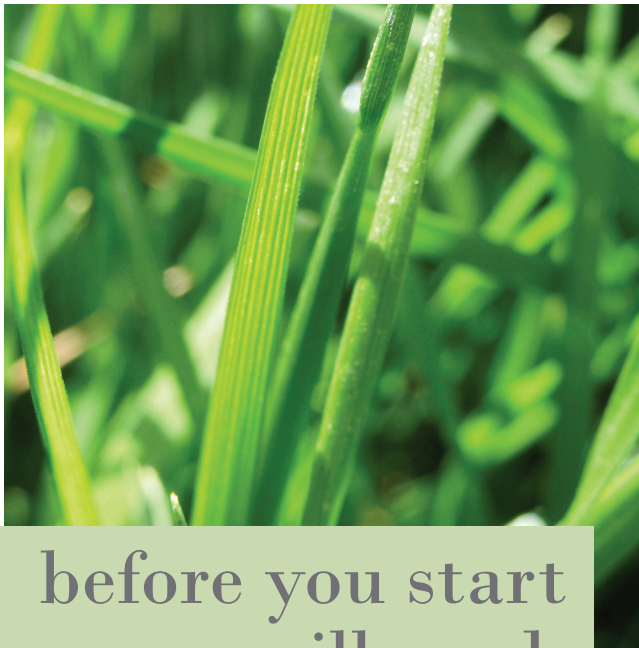


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For a lush, healthy lawn, nothing beats laying it properly. Here we talk you through the way to do it to **get the best results** from your new turf



before you start you will need:

- weed killer
- rotary hoe (hire if needed)
- tape measure
- rake
- fertiliser and spreader
- shovel or spade
- roller (hire if needed)
- broom
- hose or sprinkler



1 CLEAR THE AREA:

remove the weeds either by hand or spray with a glyphosate herbicide (e.g. Roundup), then wait until the weeds die (approx 7-10 days). Remove all debris including any small rocks and twigs. If removing an existing lawn and replacing it with a new variety, consider hiring a turf cutter for large areas, alternatively use a sharp spade.



2 CULTIVATE THE AREA:

use a rotary hoe (available for hire), to cultivate the whole area. Otherwise you can dig it over thoroughly with a garden fork to a depth of about 150mm. Remove any rocks, stones or sticks as you dig. If you are applying gypsum (to treat a clay soil) do this treatment at this stage.



3 INCORPORATE UNDERLAY:

incorporate the turf underlay soil, spreading it to a depth of 50 - 100mm depending on your soil. You will need to order 1m³ of underlay for every 20m² of turf at a depth of 50mm. If organic compost including manure is used make sure it is well composted. Level off soil with a rake, then firm by watering. Ensure turf sits 75mm below weep holes.



4 ORDER THE TURF:

measure up, then mark the dimensions on a sketch of the area. If you are uncertain as to the amount of turf required, you can visit, fax or email Jimboomba Turf the sketch with your measurements. We will work out the quantity of turf required and advise you of the most suitable turf variety for your specific area.



5 APPLY LAWN STARTER:

prior to installation of your turf, apply a lawn fertiliser evenly (e.g. Jimboomba Fertiliser) at the recommended rate per square metre. Using a fertiliser spreader will ensure an even distribution. Water in the fertiliser prior to laying the turf. **Tip:** this fertiliser will give your lawn plenty of food for months.

fertilise your lawn regularly during the growing season - in conjunction with the arrival of (fingers crossed this year!) some good, soaking rain



6 LAY THE TURF:

turf is cut fresh at the turf farm, and delivered within 24 hours, so lay it the day you receive it to avoid the roots drying out. Turf is laid across, never down, especially on sloping sites. **Tip:** start from a straight edge such as a driveway or paving. Lay the turf in a brick-work pattern ensuring that the edges fit snugly together.



7 TRIM THE TURF TO FIT:

use a sharp spade, a strong knife or garden shears to cut the turf to fit around irregular shapes in your garden, such as trees, garden beds and gardens edges. **Tip:** don't throw away any of the little turf trimmings as you do this work, because some of those neat-edged off-cuts can be used to fill in other areas and little gaps in the lawn



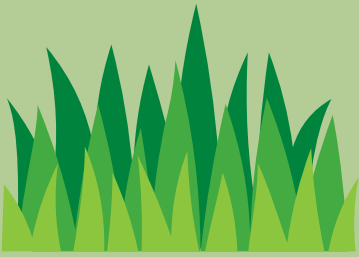
8 ROLL IT DOWN:

use a water-filled lawn roller to roll the turf (these can be hired on a daily basis) to connect the roots well with the underlay. **Tip:** without this essential step, the roots may dry out and the turf will struggle to establish. This will help your turf root faster and keep it's lush colour, even during establishment.



DID YOU KNOW?

choosing a warm season grass like buffalo in our Queensland climate will mean you need to water it less once established



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9 WATER IN WELL:

water the turf in well, methodically and thoroughly soaking each square metre then move onto the next section. The soil must be kept moist until the roots of the turf have established.

Tip: to test, try to lift a corner of the turf - if it holds well it's established - if it comes away in your hand it needs more time.

caring for your new turf

newly laid turf must be kept moist to prevent 'set back'. check your local government website for details of watering schedules in your area:

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or 1300 789 906

www.brisbane.qld.gov.au

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