

Chart 12

A COMPARISON OF TROPICAL PASTURES AND FIELD CROPS

Common Name	Species Name	Annual or Perennial	Growth Habit	Propagation	Adaptation		
					High temps.	Flood	Drought
FEED LEGUMES							
Acacia, Apple-ring	Acacia albida	perennial	tree	seeds	yes	no	some
Centro	Centrosema pubescens	perennial	vine	seeds	yes	no	some
Jack bean	Canavalia ensiformis	annual	bush	seeds	yes	no	some
Kudzu	Pueraria phaseoloides	perennial	vine	seeds	yes	some	some
Leucaena	Leucaena spp.	perennial	tree	seeds	yes	no	yes
Mesquite	Prosopis spp.	perennial	tree	seeds	yes	no	yes
Mother of cacao	Gliricidia sepium	perennial	tree	seeds, cuttings	yes	some	some
Prickly sesban	Sesbania bispinosa	perennial	shrub	seeds	yes	yes	some
Spanish clover	Desmodium uncinatum	perennial	vine	seeds	yes	no	some
St. John's bread	Ceratonia siliqua	perennial	tree	seeds	yes	no	yes
Umbrella thorn	Acacia tortilis	perennial	tree	seeds	yes	no	yes
FEED GRASSES							
Napier	Pennisetum purpureum	perennial	tall grass	seeds, cuttings	yes	yes	no
Sudan	Sorghum sudanense	annual	tall grass	seeds	yes	no	some
Guinea	Panicum maximum	perennial	clump grass	seeds, cuttings	yes	some	some
Pangola	Digitaria decumbens	perennial	spread grass	cuttings	yes	some	some
Bermuda	Cynodon dactylon	perennial	spread grass	cuttings	yes	no	some
Star	Cynodon nlemfluensis	perennial	spread grass	cuttings	yes	no	some
Kikuyu	Pennisetum clandestinum	perennial	spread grass	cuttings	no	no	some