



Consider Clover


An eco-friendly Jubilee* action to restore your earth


**Spread Clover Seed on your yard this summer.
Enjoy a low- to no-maintenance, chemical-free lawn
where kids and pets can safely roll in the clover!**


Express your values on your own turf


How Clover Renews The Earth


White Dutch Clover is recommended for lawns
from B.C. to the Maritimes because it is:


 very hardy: tolerates foot traffic,
children's play and Canadian winters;


 drought tolerant: needs little or no
watering;

 adaptable: thrives in sun or shade and
self- spreads by creeping stems to fill
gaps;

 a "living mulch": holds moisture
in soil and discourages weeds in
Gardens; and finally

 competitive with weeds and dandelions,
and is pest resistant, so no toxic pesti-
cides are needed;

 a soil de-compactor: digger roots loosen
up the earth.

 low-growing : mowing is optional,
less power mowing saves energy and
reduces greenhouse gases that cause
global warming,

**White Dutch Clover is an excellent
choice for use in lawns across Canada.
Clover tends to stay green throughout
drought and insects attacks which
would damage grass."**

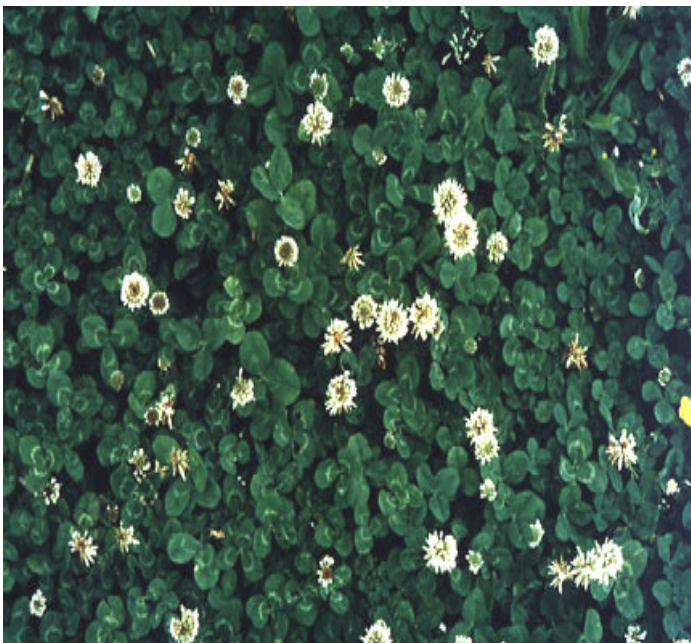
**— Ed Lawrence, CBC Radio "Ontario
Today" Gardening Expert and Chief of
Greenhouse and Grounds Services,
National Capital Commission.**

How to Roll Over to Clover

White Dutch Clover can be mixed with your existing grass to fill in bare spots or to start a new clover lawn.

One pound of seed costs about \$6, covers 1000 square feet of bare ground.

If soil tends to be at all acidic, a light dusting of dolomitic lime before seeding is strongly recommended.



Spread seed by hand or seeder. Add water if nature doesn't.

If allowed to grow up and bloom, clover re-seeds itself, year after year.

This campaign is endorsed by the following :

United Church of Canada, Church and Society
Co-ordinating Committee: <http://www.uccan.org>

Ecology Working Group, Canadian Yearly Meeting,
Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)

Canadian Association of Physicians for the Environment:
<http://www.cape.ca>

Coalition pour les Alternatives aux Pesticides (CAP)
<http://www.cap-quebec.com>

Campaign for Pesticide Reduction, Ontario:
<http://www.cprontario.org>

Health Dangers of Urban Use Pesticides Working Group,
Ottawa Carleton.

Environmental Illness Society of Canada:
<http://www.eisc.ca>

Conventional Lawn Costs:

Did you know that the average annual costs of maintaining a conventional chemically -dependent lawn on a lot 100 feet by 50 feet are \$400, 33 hours (the equivalent of four 8-hour Saturdays), 14, 000 litres of water, 70 lb. chemical fertilizers, 46 lb. of chemical pesticides and 13 litres of gasoline?

Also, a typical gas-powered mower emits as much air pollution annually as a car driven half way across Canada.

These figures are based on information from "Definitely in my Backyard": Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation. <http://www.cmhc-schl.gc.ca>



Say "Yes to my front yard!" and help restore the Earth. Sow the seeds of Jubilee* this summer. *See: <http://www.web.net/~jubilee>

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