



# Global Turf Consulting

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## **Cheba Zoysia.**

Cheba Zoysia is highly adapted to heat, cold, saline or sodic soils, heavy traffic & low mowing.



Recommended for Golf Courses, Tennis Courts & Sports Fields.

Cheba is a 'matrella' variety that offers a fine blade & its natural dark green color makes it stand out against local zoysia's. Because it is highly adapted, verticutting & topdressing are needed to balance the aggressiveness of this grass. As it can grow quite high if left unmown, Cheba is ideal for courses that want to host professional golf tournaments that requires penalizing rough.

Its temperature range of adaption is within 40 degrees latitude to the equator. Cheba is more winter hardy than Island or Merlion & performs best at altitudes lower than 500 metres. Cheba is quite tolerant to salt concentrations. On a suitably drained profile Cheba can tolerate soil concentrations in excess of 4,000 ppm total salts.

Cheba will survive droughts with minimal water availability. 25 – 50mm of water weekly to the plant will provide an acceptable turf surface. It recovers slower from injury than bermuda. As Cheba forms a dense turf, it will prevent the presence of many turf weeds when properly maintained. It has a good tolerance to herbicides. Insects are not a real problem. Cheba grows best in soils with a pH range of 5.5 – 7.0. Soil levels of 60kg/hectare of phosphorus & 85 – 130kg/hectare potassium will provide a healthy growing plant. Nitrogen applied at 200gms/100m<sup>2</sup> per month will provide a healthy plant when combined with the recommended phosphorous & potassium.

Cheba does produce some seed heads, but successful propagation is best by sprigs or sod.