

# RAGNAR

## MQ40-35

**PARENTAGE : CO-270 x MQ33-371**

### HABITAT & GENERAL APPEARANCE

Recumbent when young, becoming erect later. Free trashing variety. Flowers sparsely.

### LEAF

- **Blade** Leaves are erect and thin. Green in colour with brown patches.
- **Sheath** Light sheath hairs present with light wax coating. Purplish base on the inside with brown edges along the sheath.
- **Auricle** Small and blunt. Present on both sides of the leaf sheath. Arises from the level of the base of the collar.
- **Ligule** Horizontal shaped.

### STALK

- **Internode** Medium length of stalks with medium size internodes. Purplish yellow stalks when unexposed but changes to purple when exposed to sunlight. Cylindrical in shape. Wax coating usually distinct.
- **Growth ring** Yellowish in colour when unexposed but turns reddish when exposed to light. Swollen in nature.
- **Root band** Yellowish when unexposed but changes to greenish yellow when exposed to sunlight. Slants inwards at the base. Root primordia are scattered and prominent. Swollen in nature with brown centres.
- **Bud** Obovate, arising above the sheath scar and touches the growth ring. The gempore is present at the apex.

### **SUMMARY**

Two distinct features of Ragnar are its high stool population with a striking appearance and the leaf blades are brittle in nature. Ragnar is an early to mid season maturing variety recommended for planting on medium fertile soils. The best harvesting time for Ragnar would be from July onwards.