Cavalcade Centro (*Centrosema pascuorum*)

A high-quality forage, Cavalcade Centro tolerates seasonal flooding and is well adapted to fertile soil types. Used in mixed pastures, pure stands and hay, Cavalcade Centro has the potential to produce live weight gains of 460-540 g/day/animal during the dry season.

**Advantages**
- high quality forage
- adapted wide range of soil types
- tolerates seasonal flooding
- able to self-regenerate

**Limitations**
- not adapted to acid, infertile soil types

**Seeding rate**
2 – 5 kg/ha

**Rainfall**
700-1500 mm

**Planting**
Can perform on a wide range of moderate to high fertile soil types, with a pH between 5-8.5. Well adapted to withstand an eight-month drought period, however, persists in areas receiving 700-1500 mm. Some soil disturbance is needed for seeds to germinate. Best time to sow is the start of the wet season.

**General fertilisation guide**
Application of superphosphate enhances growth and establishment of Cavalcade Centro. Initial application 100-250 kg/ha with yearly applications of 50-100 kg superphosphate is recommended.

**Growing management**
Able to withstand moderate grazing intensity.

**Fodder quality**
Crude protein and digestibility decrease as plant matures. Crude protein varying in the season from 6-27% and digestibility varies from 42-79%. Dry matter yields between 4-9 t/ha/year are common.