



Fabstock's **Pasture Lactation Mix 'Happy Feet'** is a loose lick formulation designed for both sheep and cattle and is designed to be used in any of the following grazing situations:

- Calving/Lambing on green feed
- Calving/Lambing on grazing cereals
- Finishing stock on green feed and /or grazing cereals

The Challenge

Pregnancy and lactation are periods of nutritional strain for breeding livestock. The challenge with lush green feeds, whether they be pasture or grazing cereals is the imbalance between certain key macronutrients that can lead to increased susceptibility to metabolic disorders such as hypomagnesaemia (grass tetany) and hypocalcaemia (milk fever). These imbalances are all potential causes of parturition problems as well as increased stock mortality.

In addition, cold and wet conditions together with increased weight of pre-partum ewes can lead to issues such as abscess and scald, further to adding to negative impacts in productivity

The Product

Fabstock's **Pasture Lactation Mix 'Happy Feet'** is a complete nutritional package that helps provides the nutrients needed for optimal animal production, on lush pastures and winter cereals, it also contains elevated levels of zinc and Biotin that have proven benefits in overcoming issues around lameness in sheep

Contents

Salt, Magri-lime, Molasses, Vegetable Oil, Causmag, Di-Calcium Phosphate, Bypass Protein Meal, Magnesium Sulphate, Gypsum.

Trace Elements:

Cobalt, Iodine, Selenium, Methionine, Zinc, Manganese, Copper, Biotin, Chelated Zinc, Molybdenum

Vitamins:

Vitamin A, Vitamin B1, Vitamin D3 & Vitamin E

Analysis:

Salt 28%
Molasses 2%
Calcium 16%
Magnesium 8%
Sulphur 3.3%
Phosphorus 3.2%
Potassium 0.25%

"When deciding whether or not to use a product, we need to ask ourselves not just will the benefits gained justify using that product, but what level of return on our investment can we reasonably expect. Just covering costs is NOT good enough."

The Results

Following the wetter than average year of 2016, Fabstock's **Pasture Lactation Mix 'Happy Feet'** proved its worth as a valuable tool in maintaining hoof integrity whilst at the same time helping to maintain wool soundness, increase lamb survival rates and reduce ewe mortality.

The Rate

The intake of loose licks depends on many factors including nutritional status and body condition of stock, feed quality and weather conditions. On average, expect sheep to consume 50g/head/day and cattle to consume 150g/head/day.

It is important that all stock in the mob have access to the product. When using small lick feeders, Fabstock recommend 1 per 20 cattle/50 sheep. If using specialist covered lick feeders (150kg cap.) allow 1 feeder per 40 cattle/200 sheep.

If stock have not previously been exposed to loose licks, place feeders initially near water sources. However, at times when stock may be getting the bulk of their hydration requirements from the available feed, place feeders near congregation points such as stock camps

It is important that feeders are not allowed to run out of lick, as this tends to encourage overconsumption.

