



## Supalac

### General feeding dairy cows

Supalac is suitable for medium yielding herds. High quality ingredients are included in Jameson's concentrates, which will maximize energy in the concentrate without causing acidosis if fed within recommended guidelines. Protein levels are at 18% which will support milk production. Ingredients in Supalac will help to promote good fertility by helping to get cows into positive energy balance as soon as possible and by the inclusion of essential vitamins and minerals needed for reproduction, such as selenium and copper etc. These are supplied in both protected and non-protected forms.

### Feeding rates & guides

Supalac can be fed to medium yielding cows on grass based systems or as part of a complete ration. Diets can be formulated to match your forage availability and quality. Our approach to feeding dairy cows is to look at all the feeds available on the farm together with the target performance and produce a bespoke ration to suit your needs and aspirations.

### Key components and reasons for inclusion

Only high quality ingredients are included, such as wheat, maize distillers grains, sugar beet pulp and molasses. For very high yielding herds, Revolution may be preferred due to soya and megalac inclusion in these cakes. Poorer quality ingredients such as bakery waste etc are not included; this is also indicated by the overall fibre level of the concentrate which is approximately 7.2%.

Vitamin E deficiency may increase the risk of metritis, retained placenta and mastitis; with this in mind Supalac contains correct levels of vitamin E. Selenium is also needed for optimal functioning of the immune system and has been shown to help prevent mastitis. Selenium is supplied from a protected source (Selplex, a seleno yeast) and sodium selenite works in conjunction with Vitamin E.

Supalac contains a precise balance of Calcium, Phosphorous and Magnesium, essential to reduce the risk of hypocalcaemia.

18% Crude Protein and high metabolizable energy (13.2 MJ/kg DM) provides the cow with the best opportunity for a successful lactation.

### Disclaimer

Rations should be carefully balanced in terms of nutrient content. They should contain sufficient forage to maintain rumen function and be fortified with an appropriate vitamin and mineral supplement on farms where this is needed. Animals must have constant access to clean water. Suggested feeding rates are produced as a guide only and many other factors may have an overriding effect on animal response; no performance guarantee can be given. Ingredients are generally as in the table above, but are subject to change.





## Ingredients

| Typical Ingredients       | Metabolizable Energy  | Crude protein | Benefits / Reason for use  |
|---------------------------|---|---------------|--|
| Wheat                     | 13.8  | 13.0          | High in energy, useful for increasing milk protein yields. High in starch of which 10% is not fermented in the rumen.  |
| Wheatfeed                 | 11.7  | 18.0          | Good source of starch for milk production. Starch, fibre and protein provide the building blocks for milk fat and protein synthesis.   |
| Rapeseed meal             | 12.1  | 38.5          | Good source of ERDP. Allows the cow to maximize milk production. Provides the building blocks to drive milk protein synthesis  |
| Palm kernel               | 12.5  | 17.0          | Promotes milk fat synthesis. Allows energy intakes to be maximized without increasing the risk of acidosis associated with cereal feeding.   |
| EU distillers             | 15.0  | 30.0          | Good sources of energy and protein. Allows energy intakes to be increased without increasing the risk of acidosis associated with high starch feeds.   |
| Molasses                  | 11.3  | 20.0          | High in sugar making it very palatable.  |
| Sugarbeet                 | 12.5  | 11.0          | Can stimulate intakes of less palatable feeds, increasing milk production. Provides the building blocks for milk fat synthesis. Allows energy intakes to be increased without increasing the risk of acidosis associated with cereal feeding. Assists in maintaining an optimum rumen pH, kind to the rumen. |
| Hipro (high protein) soya | 13.6  | 55.0          | High levels of DUP. Allows the cow to maximize milk production. Provides the building blocks to drive milk protein synthesis.  |
| Calcium carbonate         |   |               | A major source of supplementary calcium  |
| Calcined magnesite        |   |               | A good supply of supplemental magnesium.   |
| Salt                      |   |               | An aid to palatability   |
| Fat spray                 |   |               | A good source of energy  |
| Dairy minerals            |   |               | Well balanced minerals supplement  |
| <b>Element</b>            | <b>Reason for inclusion</b>   |               |  |
| Vitamin A                 | Essential for eye function and beneficial to reproduction / fertility in cattle.  |               |  |
| Vitamin D <sub>3</sub>    | Essential for bone formation and hence growth, involved with calcium and phosphorous absorption.  |               |  |
| Vitamin E                 | Antioxidant working closely with Selenium in preventing formation of peroxides. Peroxides damage cells. Essential for fertility and for pregnant animals to pass onto young calves. |               |  |
| Selenium                  | An antioxidant plays a vital role in immunity. Benefits reproduction and growth. Protects muscles from degeneration. Helps to prevent retained placentas.                           |               |  |
| Copper                    | Essential for bone formation, cardiac function, immunity, reproduction and fertility.   |               |  |
| Magnesium                 | Essential for growth, repair of body tissue, bone development and milk yield. Needed for enzymes, muscle and nerve function.  |               |  |
| Phosphorous               | One of the most important elements being involved with energy production, bone and teeth formation, milk production, appetite and reproduction.                                     |               |  |

