

Choosing the Right Landscape Grass in Colorado: Zoysia vs Bermuda Grass

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Centennial, Colorado Aug 4, 2025 ([Issuewire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - When you're looking to enhance your Colorado landscape, choosing the perfect grass can feel like a big decision. Here at [Easy Green Landscaping](https://www.easygreenlandscaping.net), we understand that you want a lawn that not only looks fantastic but also thrives in our unique climate. For many homeowners in areas like Lone Tree, Englewood, and Aurora, warm-season grasses like **Zoysia and Bermuda** are popular choices because they handle our sunny conditions well and can stand up to foot traffic.

But while they share some similarities, they also have key differences that can significantly impact your yard's long-term health and your maintenance routine. Let's dive into what makes each of these grasses unique so you can make an informed decision for your home.

Warm-Season Grasses for Colorado

Both Zoysia and Bermuda grass are designed to flourish in warmer temperatures, which makes them suitable for Colorado's hot summers. However, their individual characteristics vary widely and are crucial to consider for your specific [landscaping needs](#).

Maintenance & Growth Speed

If you enjoy frequent yard work, Bermuda grass might be for you. It's a fast-growing variety that spreads quickly and can endure heavy use, often seen on golf courses and sports fields. This means it will require more frequent mowing to keep it looking tidy. In contrast, Zoysia grass grows slower and has a denser, carpet-like texture, typically requiring less upkeep and mowing.

Sunlight & Shade Tolerance

Bermuda grass thrives in full sun and may struggle in shaded areas. If your yard receives direct sunlight for most of the day, Bermuda can truly shine. However, if you have mature trees or spots that get less light, Zoysia is a better choice, as it tolerates partial shade more effectively without thinning out.

Drought Resistance

When it comes to handling dry conditions, both grasses perform well, but Bermuda grass is the winner in drought tolerance due to its deep roots and ability to bounce back quickly after long periods without rain. While Zoysia is also drought-tolerant, it may take longer to recover if it turns brown during dry spells.

Cold Tolerance

Despite both being warm-season grasses, Zoysia exhibits better cold tolerance than Bermuda. Bermuda grass quickly turns brown and goes dormant when winter arrives, staying that way until temperatures rise. Zoysia also goes dormant, but it retains its color longer and revives sooner in the spring, making it a potentially more visually appealing choice during milder Colorado winters.

Weed Control

If keeping weeds at bay is a priority, Zoysia grass might be preferable. Its dense growth makes it harder for weeds to establish themselves. Bermuda, while spreading rapidly, isn't as thick, which can allow weeds to sneak through, potentially requiring more effort for weed control.

Soil Type and Adaptability

Bermuda grass prefers well-draining soil with good airflow and may struggle in compacted or heavy clay soils where its roots might sit in water. Zoysia, on the other hand, is more adaptable, capable of growing in a wider range of soil types, including sandy, loamy, or clay-heavy soils. If you're unsure about your soil type, Zoysia could be a safer bet.

Growth and Spreading Behavior

Bermuda grass spreads aggressively through both underground rhizomes and above-ground stolons, which is great for quick coverage but also means it can invade flower beds or even your neighbor's yard if not kept in check. Zoysia spreads more slowly, mainly through underground rhizomes, offering more control over its growth.

Texture and Softness

For those who enjoy walking barefoot on their lawn, Zoysia grass offers a finer texture that creates a

thick, cushiony feel. Bermuda has a coarser texture, which might feel a bit rougher.

Seed vs. Sod Installation

Both Zoysia and Bermuda are available as sod for instant lawns. However, Bermuda is easier and more affordable to grow from seed, while Zoysia is slow-growing and challenging to establish from seed, making sod or plugs the generally recommended option for it.

Pest and Disease Resistance

Bermuda grass is quite tough but can be more susceptible to pests like armyworms and nematodes. Zoysia is generally more pest-resistant but can sometimes develop fungus issues, particularly in humid conditions. Regular maintenance, including proper watering and mowing, can help prevent these problems for both types.

Cost

Generally, Bermuda grass is the more budget-friendly option for installation, especially when planted from seed. Zoysia is typically more expensive, particularly when using sod or plugs, but its lower maintenance requirements and durability might make it a worthwhile long-term investment.

Which Grass is Right for Your Colorado Home?

Ultimately, the "better" grass depends on your specific needs and priorities for your yard. If you're looking for a fast-growing, highly durable, and drought-tolerant lawn that can withstand heavy foot traffic and gets plenty of sun, Bermuda grass is an excellent choice. It's perfect for active yards and open, sunny spaces.

If you prefer a softer, denser, and lower-maintenance lawn that can tolerate some shade and you're willing to invest a bit more upfront, Zoysia grass might be the ideal fit for you.

Partnering with Easy Green Landscaping for Your Colorado Yard

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