



# Benchmark Balancer Mash®

**A concentrated nutritional formula packed with essential nutrients and amino acids but without the calories.**

**The applications for Benchmark Balancer Mash® are numerous and include:**

- All horses who react to feeds high in starch and sugar.
- Horses at risk of, or suffering from laminitis, cushings, IR, PSSM or EMS.
- Horses on box rest or recovering from injury, illness, or surgery.
- Horses requiring more topline or muscle mass.
- To supplement horses grazing limited, or poor-quality pasture.
- Horses prone to weight gain that require a low dose, low calorie concentrate.
- Growing youngstock that require a ration high in protein but low in starch and sugar.

## WHAT IS A GENUINE BALANCER?

Balancers or concentrates are a very useful nutritional tool that can make a valuable contribution to your horse's diet.

A balancer contains a concentrated amount of nutrition in a small daily dose.

Genuine balancers contain high levels of essential amino acids (the building blocks of protein), vitamins and minerals and importantly contain no grains or grain by-products.

A balancer can be fed alone (with the addition of fibre) or it can be fed in conjunction with Benchmark Super Fibre Mash®, grains or a high fat energy source.

Feeding the recommended daily rate of **Benchmark Balancer Mash®** to your horse will improve any ration by topping up nutritional deficiencies that may occur in fibre, pasture, grains, or poor-quality complete feeds.



## Nutrient Analysis (as fed)

Energy DE	MJ/kg	11.7
Protein	%	25.0
Fat	%	6.0
Crude Fibre	%	23.0
Dry Matter	%	92.0
Sodium	g/kg	4.0
<b>Starch</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>1.3</b>
<b>Sugars (ESC)</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>6.3</b>

## Nutrients Levels in 1kg Essential Amino Acids

Lysine	g/kg	20.0
Methionine	g/kg	3.7
Leucine	g/kg	19.0

## Vitamins & Minerals

Calcium	g/kg	9.5
Phosphorous	g/kg	5.8
Magnesium	g/kg	3.6
Chloride	g/kg	6.3
Potassium	g/kg	7.5
Zinc	mg/kg	440
Copper	mg/kg	207
Manganese	mg/kg	57
Iron	mg/kg	130
Selenium	mg/kg	0.7
Iodine	mg/kg	1.1
Chromium	mg/kg	3.0
Vitamin A	IU	45000
Vitamin B1	mg/kg	30.8
Vitamin B2	mg/kg	9.5
Vitamin B3	mg/kg	49
Vitamin B5	mg/kg	5.0
Biotin (B7)	mg/kg	24
Folate (B9)	mg/kg	14.6
Vitamin D	IU	2000
Vitamin E	IU	205

## Pre & Probiotics

Agrimos®	mg/kg	600
Yea-Sacc®	mg/kg	600

\* YeaSacc contains a minimum 5 billion CFU/g

Balancer Mash® is Soy Free

## Ingredients

Lupin hulls, whole lupins, canola meal, Benchmark vitamin, mineral and amino acid premix, cold pressed canola oil, limestone, lysine, di-calcium phosphate, magnesium oxide, salt, Agrimos® Prebiotic and Yea-Sacc® Probiotic.





## HOW TO PREPARE BENCHMARK BALANCER MASH FOR YOUR HORSE.

### BY VOLUME:

To 1-part Balancer Mash add 1-1.5 parts cold or warm water.  
Soak for 5 minutes before feeding.

Vary the amount of water to achieve your preferred mash consistency.

Benchmark Balancer Mash pellets can be fed either as a mash or dry.

**Benchmark Balancer Mash**® should be introduced gradually over 7-14 days to allow your horse's gut enzymes to adjust to the new feed.

### Daily Minimum Fibre Requirement for Horses

To enable a horse to maintain a properly functioning hindgut with natural microbial fermentation for complete gut and body health, it is highly recommended that at least 1% of the horse's body weight be fed as fibre.

For a 500kg horse, this is equal to a minimum of 5kg a day in the form of pasture, hay and/or quality alternative high-fibre products.

### Dry Feeding Rates & Directions (kg/day)

BALANCER MASH	Bodyweight (kg)			
	300	400	500	600
Idle Horses/Paddock Rest/Spelling	400g	500g	750g	1.0kg
Light to Medium Work	500g	750g	1.0kg	1.25kg
Horses recovering from Illness, Injury or Surgery	500g	750g	1.0kg	1.25kg
Horses requiring Topline or Muscle Mass*	300g	400g	500g	600g
Foals 6-12 Months**	400g	500g	750g	1.0kg
Weanlings/Yearlings**	500g	750g	1.0kg	1.0kg
Broodmares - Early Stage Pregnancy	500g	700g	900g	1.0kg
Broodmares - Late Stage Pregnancy	600g	800g	1.0kg	1.25kg
Lactating Mares	700g	900g	1.25kg	1.5kg
Stallions at Stud	750g	1.0kg	1.25kg	1.5kg

\*added to a complete feed

\*\*Bodyweight is expected mature weight

### Balancer Mash Meal Plan

Create a highly nutritious, protein rich ration that is very low in starch and sugar by adding Benchmark Balancer Mash® to a base of Benchmark Super Fibre Mash®.

Visit [www.benchmarkfeeds.com.au](http://www.benchmarkfeeds.com.au) and click on the Meal Plans tab.