

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
IN AND FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
MIAMI DIVISION

JAMES GREGWARE, on behalf of
himself and all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

Case No.: _____

v.

THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO COMPANY
and THE SCOTTS COMPANY, LLC,

Defendants.
_____ /

CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT

Plaintiff, James Gregware (hereinafter, “**Gregware**”), by and through the undersigned counsel, brings this class action complaint against Defendants, The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company and The Scotts Company, LLC (collectively hereinafter, “**Scotts**”) and alleges as follows:

NATURE OF THE CASE

1. Gregware brings this class action on behalf of himself and all other similarly situated Florida consumers who purchased Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer Plus 5.17% Iron for Deep Greening (hereinafter, “**Green Max**” or “**the Product**”) and suffered damage to their homes and/or real property, including, but not limited to, driveways, sidewalks, porches, patios, and other hard surfaces in the form of rust-like stains, as a result of using the Product.

PARTIES

2. Plaintiff, James Gregware, is a Florida resident. At all times relevant to this complaint, Gregware lived in Orlando, Orange County, Florida. On June 1, 2013, Gregware

purchased the Product at The Home Depot, located at 350 North Alafaya Trail, Orlando, Florida 32828 for the price of \$38.98 plus tax.

3. Defendant, The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company (hereinafter, “**Scotts Miracle-Gro**”), is an Ohio corporation for profit headquartered in Marysville, Union County, Ohio. It is a publicly-traded company that represents itself as the world’s largest marketer of branded consumer lawn and garden products. It is also the parent company of Co-Defendant and wholly-owned subsidiary, The Scotts Company, LLC. At all times relevant to this complaint, Scotts Miracle-Gro transacted business in the State of Florida, including, but not limited to, the distribution, marketing and selling of its consumer lawn and garden products. Additionally, Scotts Miracle-Gro has agents and/or other representatives within the State of Florida.

4. Defendant, The Scotts Company, LLC (hereinafter, “**Scotts Company**”), is an Ohio limited liability company headquartered in Marysville, Union County, Ohio. It is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Co-Defendant and parent company, Scotts Miracle-Gro , and participates in the distribution, marketing and/or selling of Scotts Miracle-Gro’s branded consumer lawn and garden products. At all times relevant to this complaint, Scotts Company was registered with the State of Florida as a foreign limited liability company and transacted business within the State through the aforementioned conduct.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

5. This Court has original jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1332(d)(2), as the matter in controversy, exclusive of interest and costs, exceeds the amount of \$5,000,000 and is a class action wherein the putative Class Members are citizens of a state different from Defendants.

6. Venue lies in this District, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391, as Defendants conduct and/or transact business in this Judicial District, and Defendants have intentionally availed themselves of the laws and markets within this District through the distribution, marketing and/or selling of consumer lawn and garden products, including, but not limited to Green Max, and therefore are subject to personal jurisdiction in this Judicial District.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

7. Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer Plus 5.17% Iron for Deep Greening is one of several consumer lawn and garden products that Scotts manufactures and then markets and sells to Florida consumers. The Product is intended to enhance the natural greening process of the user's lawn, so that it gets greener, faster. According to its packaging, Green Max offers "10x the feeding power of Ironite" and contains "triple the iron for fast, extreme greening."¹ Exhibit 1. Specifically, Green Max contains 5.17% iron. In comparison, the competitive product Ironite only contains 4.5% iron, as indicated on the Ironite packaging. Exhibit 2.

8. The reverse side of the Product packaging features a Quick Start Guide consisting of three "simple steps" for obtaining "a beautiful Scotts lawn." Exhibit 1. Step One instructs consumers to fill a spreader with the Product in accordance with recommended measurements. Step Two instructs consumers to "apply [the Product] evenly to a wet or dry lawn." Step Three instructs consumers to clean up and expressly warrants that "sweeping product from hard surfaces onto the lawn keeps product on the grass and prevents staining." The Product packaging does not contain or reference any additional disclosures regarding staining or the

¹ As stated on its packaging, the Product offers ten times the grass feeding power when compared to the nitrogen content of Ironite Mineral Supplement, a product marketed by one of Scotts' competitors. Further, the Product purports to contain triple the iron when compared to Scotts Turf Builder South 26-2-13, when applied at recommended rates.

likelihood that the Product will cause staining regardless of consumers' adherence to the instructions included on the packaging.

9. Contrary to Scotts' representation and express warranty that adhering to the above-described clean-up instructions will prevent staining, the Product causes rust-like stains to the hard surfaces surrounding the lawn where the Product has been applied, regardless of the clean-up efforts undertaken by consumers.

10. Scotts maintains an official company Web site located at www.scotts.com, which includes a section entitled "Ratings & Reviews." This section contains multiple complaints posted by consumers regarding hard surface staining caused by the Product. Exhibit 3. Scotts employees have posted responses to these consumer complaints, wherein Scotts admits that "[t]he iron in Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer plus 5.17% Iron may stain." *Id.*

11. The Scotts Web site also includes a section entitled "Questions & Answers." Significantly, the first listed question is: "How can I remove staining on concrete?" Exhibit 4. The answer posted by Scotts states that, because sunlight and water will not completely remove the stains, the use of certain stain removal products is recommended. *Id.* These stain removal products must be purchased by consumers for an additional cost above and beyond the amount already paid for the Product that caused the stains.

12. Upon information and belief, Scotts has actual knowledge that the Iron content and/or consistency of the Product will and does cause staining to hard surfaces, including, but not limited to, driveways, sidewalks, porches, patios, and other surfaces – even when consumers follow the instructions provided on the Product packaging. Rather than disclosing this critical fact to consumers, Scotts misrepresents and expressly warrants that adhering to the clean-up

instructions included on the Product packaging will prevent staining. In reality, the Product causes staining on hard surfaces even when consumers follow these instructions.

13. Comparatively, the packaging of Ironite – a competitive product containing *less* iron than Green Max – includes an explicit disclosure that “IRONITE WILL STAIN” and further represents that, “[i]f concrete is wet when contact occurs, staining may be impossible to prevent.” Exhibit 2.

14. Scotts offers a No-Quibble Guarantee on the Product packaging, which states that: “If for any reason you, the consumer, are not satisfied after using this product, you are entitled to get your money back. Simply send us evidence of purchase and we will mail you a refund check promptly.” Exhibit 1. Significantly, the No-Quibble Guarantee fails to address whether and/or how Scotts will compensate consumers for the damage it knows the Product causes to consumers’ homes and/or real property in the form of rust-like stains.

15. In addition to damaging consumers’ homes and/or real property by staining hard surfaces, Green Max further damages consumers by causing them to purchase stain removal products and/or to hire stain removal professionals at their own expense.

PLAINTIFF’S INDIVIDUAL CLAIMS

16. On June 1, 2013, Gregware purchased a single bag of Green Max at The Home Depot, located at 350 North Alafaya Trail, Orlando, Florida 32828 for the price of \$38.98 plus tax.

17. On or before June 3, 2013, Gregware carefully followed all of the instructions provided on the Product packaging and applied the Product to his lawn.

18. After applying the Product to his lawn, Gregware cleaned the surrounding hard surfaces, including his driveway, sidewalk, porch and other surfaces, in strict adherence to the

instructions provided on the Product packaging. He did so by thoroughly sweeping these areas and using a leaf blower to remove any Product from these surfaces. On the date that he applied the Product to his lawn, Gregware's driveway, sidewalk, porch and other surfaces were devoid of stains.

19. Despite Gregware's strict adherence to the instructions on the Product packaging, Green Max damaged his home and/or real property by causing unsightly rust-like stains on the hard surfaces surrounding his lawn, including, but not limited to, the driveway, sidewalk, porch and other surfaces. Specifically, on or before June 4, 2013, Gregware discovered multiple stains on the above-described hard surfaces that were not there prior to his application of the Product to his lawn.

20. On or about June 23, 2013, Gregware posted a complaint on the Scotts Web site describing his negative experience with the Product. Scotts subsequently contacted Gregware regarding his complaint and recommended that he purchase and apply a stain removal product. Believing that stain removal products should be applied by a professional stain remover, Gregware requested that Scotts cover the cost of hiring a stain removal expert. Scotts refused to cover the cost of professional labor and offered Gregware \$60.00 towards the cost of a stain removal product.

21. Gregware subsequently attempted to remove the stains on his own using a professional-grade pressure washer. However, the pressure washer had little-to-no effect on the stains. To date, the hard surface stains caused by the Product continue to mar Gregware's home and/or real property and diminish the value of his property.

CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS

22. As detailed in the individual counts, Gregware brings this class action lawsuit on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, pursuant to Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 23(a), (b)(2) and (b)(3).

23. Gregware seeks to represent the following Class:

All Florida consumers who purchased and used Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer Plus 5.17% Iron for Deep Greening and sustained damage to their homes and/or real property in the form of hard surface stains as a result of using the Product, from December 20, 2009 to the present (hereinafter, “**the Class**” or “**Class Members**”).

24. Excluded from the Class are Scotts, its employees, agents and assigns. Also excluded are any members of the judiciary to whom this case is assigned, their Court staff and Gregware’s counsel.

Numerosity

25. Class Members are so numerous and geographically dispersed throughout Florida that joinder of all Class Members is impracticable.

26. While the exact number of Class Members remains unknown at this time, upon information and belief, there are thousands, if not hundreds of thousands, of putative Class Members.

Predominance of Common Questions of Law and Fact

27. This action involves common questions of law and fact, which predominate over any questions affecting individual Class Members. These common legal and factual questions include, but are not limited to, the following:

- a. whether Scotts is subject to the Florida Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices Act, § 501.201, *et seq.*, Florida Statutes (hereinafter, “**FDUTPA**”);

- b. whether the instructions and/or disclosures provided by Scotts on the Product packaging are false, deceptive and/or misleading;
- c. whether Scotts' conduct violates the FDUTPA;
- d. whether the instructions and/or disclosures provided by Scotts on the Product packaging constitute an express warranty;
- e. whether Scotts breached the express warranty;
- f. whether Gregware and Class Members have sustained damages and the proper measure of their losses;
- g. whether Gregware and Class Members are entitled to declaratory relief and/or injunctive relief; and
- h. whether Gregware and Class Members are entitled to other appropriate remedies.

Typicality

28. Gregware's claims are typical of the claims of the proposed Class Members, because, *inter alia*, all Class Members were damaged as a result of Scotts' uniform misconduct, as described above, were subject to Scotts' false, deceptive and/or misleading trade practices and its breach of express warranty.

29. Gregware shares the aforementioned facts and legal claims and/or questions with all Class Members. There is a sufficient relationship between Scotts' conduct and the damages sustained by Gregware and Class Members.

Adequacy

30. Gregware will fairly and adequately protect the interests of Class Members and is committed to the vigorous prosecution of this action. Gregware has retained counsel

experienced in complex consumer class action litigation, and intends to prosecute this action vigorously. Gregware has no adverse or antagonistic interests to those of the Class.

Superiority

31. A class action is superior to other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of this controversy. Individual joinder of all Class Members' claims is impracticable or impossible for at least the following reasons:

- a. The claims presented in this case predominate over any questions of law or fact, if any exist at all, affecting individual Class Members;
- b. Absent a Class, the Class Members will continue to suffer damage and Scotts' violations of the FDUTPA and breaches of express warranty will continue without remedy;
- c. Given the size of individual Class Members' claims, few, if any, Class Members could afford to or would seek legal redress individually for the wrongs Scotts committed and continues to commit against them, and absent Class Members have no substantial interest in individually controlling the prosecution of individual actions;
- d. Individualized litigation would create the danger of inconsistent or contradictory judgments arising from the same set of facts, while also increasing the delay and expense to all parties and the Court. Comparatively, the class action device provides economies of scale and allows Class Members' claims to be comprehensively administered and uniformly adjudicated in a single proceeding.
- e. When the liability of Scotts has been adjudicated, claims of all Class Members can be administered efficiently and/or determined uniformly by the Court;

- f. This action presents no difficulty that would impede its management by the Court as a class action, which is the best available means by which Gregware and Class Members can seek redress for the harm caused to them by Scotts.
32. The trial and litigation of Gregware's claims are manageable.
33. Scotts has acted and/or refused to act on grounds generally applicable to the Class by engaging in a uniform practice of (a) falsely and deceptively representing that adherence to the instructions provided on the Product packaging will prevent hard surface staining; (b) falsely and deceptively omitting material disclosures regarding the likelihood that the Product will cause staining; and (c) breaching the express warranty included on the Product packaging, thereby making appropriate final injunctive relief with respect to the Class as a whole.
34. Because Gregware seeks injunctive relief and corresponding declaratory and equitable relief for the entire Class, the prosecution of separate actions by individual Class Members would create a risk of inconsistent or varying adjudications with respect to individual Class Members, which would establish incompatible standards of conduct for Scotts. Further, bringing individual claims would burden the Courts and be an inefficient method of resolving the dispute at the center of this litigation. Adjudications with respect to individual Class Members would, as a practical matter, be dispositive of the interest of other Class Members who are not parties to the adjudication and may impair or impede their ability to protect their interests. As a consequence, class treatment is a superior method for adjudication of the issues in this case.

COUNT I
**Violation of the Florida Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices Act,
§ 501.201, et seq., Florida Statutes**

35. Gregware repeats and realleges the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 34 above, as if fully set forth herein.

36. This cause of action is brought pursuant to the Florida Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices Act, § 501.201, *et seq.*, Fla. Stat. The stated purpose of the FDUTPA is to “protect the consuming public ... from those who engage in unfair methods of competition, or unconscionable, deceptive, or unfair acts or practices in the conduct of any trade or commerce.” § 501.202(2), Fla. Stat.

37. Gregware and Class Members are consumers as defined by § 501.203(7), Fla. Stat., Scotts is engaged in trade or commerce within the meaning of § 501.203(8), Fla. Stat., and the Product is a good within the meaning of the FDUTPA.

38. Section 501.204(1), Fla. Stat., declares unlawful “[u]nfair methods of competition, unconscionable acts or practices, and unfair or deceptive acts or practices in the conduct of any trade or commerce.”

39. Section 501.204(2), Fla. Stat., states that “due consideration and great weight shall be given to the interpretations of the Federal Trade Commission and the federal courts relating to [section 5(a)(1) of the Federal Trade Commission Act.]” Scotts’ unfair and deceptive practices are likely to mislead – and have misled – consumers acting reasonably under the circumstances, and violate § 501.204, Fla. Stat.

40. Scotts has violated and continues to violate the FDUTPA by engaging in the unfair, deceptive and misleading practices described herein, which has resulted in substantial damage to consumers.

41. Gregware and Class Members have been damaged by Scotts’ unfair and deceptive practices in that their homes and/or real property were and are stained by the Product, despite their strict adherence to the instructions provided by Scotts on the Product packaging.

42. The damages suffered by Gregware and Class Members were directly and proximately caused by the unfair, deceptive and misleading practices of Scotts, as more fully described herein.

43. Pursuant to § 501.211(1), Fla. Stat., Gregware and Class Members seek declaratory judgment and a court order enjoining the above-described wrongful acts and practices of Scotts.

44. Additionally, pursuant to § 501.211(2) and 501.2105, Fla. Stat., Gregware and Class Members seek damages, attorneys' fees and costs.

COUNT II
Breach of Express Warranty

45. Gregware repeats and realleges the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 34 above, as if fully set forth herein.

46. Scotts provides a "Quick Start Guide" on the Product packaging, consisting of the three above-described steps. Exhibit 1. The third and final step instructs and expressly warrants to consumers that "Sweeping product from hard surfaces onto the lawn keeps product on the grass and **prevents staining.**" *Id.*

47. This warranty, which is included on every package of the Product, provided a significant basis for Gregware and Class Members' decisions to purchase the Product.

48. Gregware and Class Members meticulously followed all of the instructions set forth in the Quick Start Guide, including, but not limited to, the sweeping of the Product from the hard surfaces surrounding their lawns.

49. The Product did not perform as described. Despite Gregware and Class Members' strict adherence to the instructions provided by Scotts on the Product packaging, the Product stained their respective homes and/or real property, including, but not limited to, their

driveways, sidewalks, porches, patios and other hard surfaces. Accordingly, Scotts breached the express warranty by manufacturing, marketing and/or selling the Product, which stains hard surfaces, despite consumers' compliance with the instructions provided on the Product packaging.

50. As a direct and proximate result of Scotts' breach of the express warranty, Gregware and Class Members have been damaged in that their homes and/or real property were and are stained by the Product, despite their strict adherence to the instructions provided by Scotts on the Product packaging.

51. All conditions precedent to this cause of action have been performed.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Gregware, on behalf of himself and Class Members, prays for a judgment:

- a. Certifying the Class, as defined herein;
- b. Appointing Gregware as Class Representative;
- c. Appointing the undersigned as Class Counsel;
- d. Enjoining Scotts from continuing to violate the FDUTPA;
- e. Enjoining Scotts from continuing to breach its express warranty;
- f. Finding Scotts liable to Gregware and Class Members for actual damages in such amount(s) as the Court or Jury may determine;
- g. Awarding statutory damages as appropriate;
- h. Awarding Gregware and Class Members attorneys' fees and all litigation costs;
- i. Awarding Gregware and Class Members such other equitable relief as may be just and proper.

DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 38, Gregware, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, hereby demands a trial by jury on all issues so triable.

Dated: December 20, 2013

Respectfully submitted,

**MORGAN & MORGAN
COMPLEX LITIGATION GROUP**

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AO 440 (Rev. 06/12) Summons in a Civil Action

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the

_____ District of _____

Plaintiff(s)

v.

Defendant(s)

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Civil Action No. _____

SUMMONS IN A CIVIL ACTION

To: *(Defendant's name and address)*

A lawsuit has been filed against you.

Within 21 days after service of this summons on you (not counting the day you received it) — or 60 days if you are the United States or a United States agency, or an officer or employee of the United States described in Fed. R. Civ. P. 12 (a)(2) or (3) — you must serve on the plaintiff an answer to the attached complaint or a motion under Rule 12 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The answer or motion must be served on the plaintiff or plaintiff's attorney, whose name and address are:

If you fail to respond, judgment by default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. You also must file your answer or motion with the court.

CLERK OF COURT

Date: _____

Signature of Clerk or Deputy Clerk

Civil Action No. _____

PROOF OF SERVICE

(This section should not be filed with the court unless required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 4 (l))

This summons for *(name of individual and title, if any)* _____
was received by me on *(date)* _____.

☐ I personally served the summons on the individual at *(place)* _____
_____ on *(date)* _____; or

☐ I left the summons at the individual's residence or usual place of abode with *(name)* _____
_____, a person of suitable age and discretion who resides there,
on *(date)* _____, and mailed a copy to the individual's last known address; or

☐ I served the summons on *(name of individual)* _____, who is
designated by law to accept service of process on behalf of *(name of organization)* _____
_____ on *(date)* _____; or

☐ I returned the summons unexecuted because _____; or

☐ Other *(specify)*: _____.

My fees are \$ _____ for travel and \$ _____ for services, for a total of \$ _____.

I declare under penalty of perjury that this information is true.

Date: _____

Server's signature

Printed name and title

Server's address

Additional information regarding attempted service, etc:

Signature of Clerk or Deputy Clerk

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JS 44 (Rev. 12/12)

CIVIL COVER SHEET

The JS 44 civil cover sheet and the information contained herein neither replace nor supplement the filing and service of pleadings or other papers as required by law, except as provided by local rules of court. This form, approved by the Judicial Conference of the United States in September 1974, is required for the use of the Clerk of Court for the purpose of initiating the civil docket sheet. (SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON NEXT PAGE OF THIS FORM.) **NOTICE: Attorneys MUST Indicate All Re-filed Cases Below.**

I. (a) PLAINTIFFS

JAMES GREGWARE, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated,

(b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff **Orange**
(EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES)

(c) Attorneys (Firm Name, Address, and Telephone Number)

Jonathan B. Cohen, Esq., Morgan & Morgan Complex Litigation Group
201 N. Franklin St., 7th Floor, Tampa, FL 33602 (813) 223-5505

(d) Check County Where Action Arose: ☒ MIAMI-DADE ☐ MONROE ☐ BROWARD ☐ PALM BEACH ☐ MARTIN ☐ ST. LUCIE ☐ INDIAN RIVER ☐ OKEECHOBEE ☐ HIGHLANDS

DEFENDANTS

THE SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO COMPANY and THE SCOTTS COMPANY, LLC,

County of Residence of First Listed Defendant **Union**

(IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY)

NOTE: IN LAND CONDEMNATION CASES, USE THE LOCATION OF THE TRACT OF LAND INVOLVED.

Attorneys (If Known)

II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION

(Place an "X" in One Box Only)

- ☐ 1 U.S. Government Plaintiff
☐ 2 U.S. Government Defendant
- ☐ 3 Federal Question (U.S. Government Not a Party)
☒ 4 Diversity (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III)

III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES

(Place an "X" in One Box for Plaintiff and One Box for Defendant)

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IV. NATURE OF SUIT

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V. ORIGIN

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- ☒ 1 Original Proceeding ☐ 2 Removed from State Court ☐ 3 Re-filed (See VI below) ☐ 4 Reinstated or Reopened ☐ 5 Transferred from another district (specify) ☐ 6 Multidistrict Litigation ☐ 7 Appeal to District Judge from Magistrate Judgment ☐ 8 Remanded from Appellate Court

VI. RELATED/RE-FILED CASE(S)

(See instructions):

a) Re-filed Case ☐ YES ☒ NO b) Related Cases ☐ YES ☒ NO

JUDGE

DOCKET NUMBER

VII. CAUSE OF ACTION

Cite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing and Write a Brief Statement of Cause (Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity):
Violation of the Florida Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices Act and Breach of Express Warranty

VIII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT:

☒ CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION UNDER F.R.C.P. 23

DEMAND \$
5,000,000.00

CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint:
JURY DEMAND: ☒ Yes ☐ No

ABOVE INFORMATION IS TRUE & CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

DATE

SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD

December 20, 2013

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RECEIPT # _____ AMOUNT _____ IFP _____ JUDGE _____ MAG JUDGE _____

Exhibit 1

10X^{THE}
FEEDING
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Scotts®

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LAWN FERTILIZER

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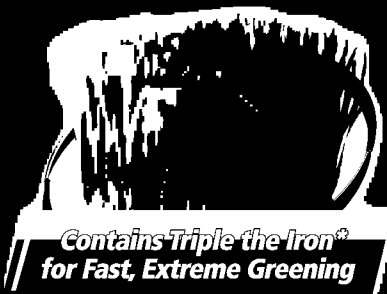
5.17% Iron For Deep Greening

FERTILIZANTE PARA CESPEDES

CONTIENE 5.17% DE HIERRO PARA REVERDECIMIENTO PROFUNDO



Kid & Pet Friendly



Contains Triple the Iron[®]
for Fast, Extreme Greening



Improves Lawn's Ability
to Absorb Water & Nutrients

APTO PARA NIÑOS Y MASCOTAS

26-0-2

Won't Burn Lawn Guaranteed!

*Compared to Turf Builder South 26-2-13 when applied at recommended rates.

CONTIENE EL TRIPLE DE HIERRO[®] PARA UN
REVERDECIMIENTO RAPIDO Y EXTREMO

*En comparación con Turf Builder[®] South 26-2-13
cuando se aplica en las dosis recomendadas.

MEJORA LA CAPACIDAD DEL CESPED
PARA ABSORBER AGUA Y NUTRIENTES

NET WT./PESO NETO 16.80 lb (7.62 kg)

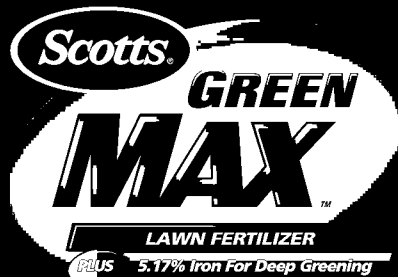
*COMPARED TO NITROGEN CONTENT OF IRONITE[®] MINERAL SUPPLEMENT WHEN APPLIED AT RECOMMENDED RATES.
IRONITE[®] IS A REGISTERED TRADEMARK OF CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY.



APPLY ANY SEASON
TO ANY GRASS TYPE

26-0-2

COVERS 5,000 SQ FT



2-in-1 Formula

The unique dual action 2-in-1 formula in Scotts® GREEN MAX™ 26-0-2 not only supplements your lawn with iron, it also feeds it. So you get your best lawn, all in one bag! Compare that to Ironite® Mineral Supplement 1-0-1, which only does half the job.

Scotts® GREEN MAX™:

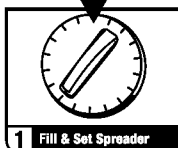
- Provides 10 times the feeding power of Ironite®+ for thick, strong turf.
- Contains 5.17% iron, an essential micronutrient that enhances the natural greening process, so your lawn gets greener, faster.
- Delivers 100% nutrition in every granule so your lawn gets all food and no filler.



PHOTO SHOWS COMPARISON OF PERENNIAL RYE AFTER ONE WEEK. RESULTS MAY VARY.

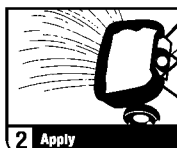
Quick Start Guide

You're just three simple steps away from a beautiful Scotts® lawn!



1 Fill & Set Spreader

	Recommended Covers 4,000 sq ft	Regular Covers 5,000 sq ft
Scotts® Broadcast Rotary Spreaders	4%	4
Scotts® Drop Spreaders	7%	7
Llenar y ajustar el esparcidor	Recomendado: Cubre 372 m²	Regular: Cubre 465 m²
Esparcidores a vacío/ gránulos Scotts®	4%	4
Esparcidores de gránulo Scotts®	7%	7

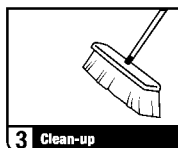


2 Apply

Apply evenly to a wet or dry lawn.

Aplicar

Aplicarlo uniformemente sobre el césped húmedo o seco.

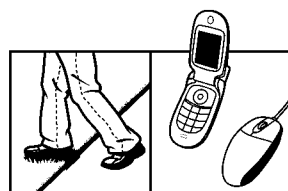


3 Clean-up

Sweeping product from hard surfaces onto the lawn keeps product on the grass and prevents staining.

Limpiar

Barrear el producto derramado en las superficies duras hacia el jardín mantiene el producto sobre el césped y previene las manchas.



You're Done! What's Next?

People or pets may re-enter immediately after product is applied.

Questions?

Call 1-800-543-TURF or visit www.scotts.com

¿Listo! ¿Qué sigue? Las personas o mascotas pueden ingresar en la zona tratada inmediatamente después de aplicar el producto.

¿Preguntas?

Lláme al 1-800-543-TURF o visite www.scotts.com

Tips for Lawn Care Success

- **Feed regularly for your best lawn.** Regular feedings of Scotts® will help build a lawn you and your family can enjoy. Scotts provides the nutrients your lawn needs to look its best and withstand the stresses of weeds, heat, drought and family activity.
- **Mow your lawn.** Mowing high allows the grass to develop a deep root system & helps your lawn use water more effectively.
- **Leave the grass clippings on your lawn.** This recycles the plant nutrients back into the soil.
- **Conserve water.** Your lawn will begin to wilt when water is needed. As much as possible, take advantage of nature's sprinkler and rely on the rain to water your lawn.



Well-fed lawns are more efficient at using available water.

Feeding with Scotts® helps grow a thick lawn with more roots to better absorb water and nutrients than an unfed lawn. This helps protect your lawn against heat, drought and other stresses.

First Aid and Storage Information

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN

CAUTION

Eye contact with contents may cause irritation. Flush eyes with water as soon as possible after contact.

STORAGE

Store in original container, out of reach of children.

OTHER THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

- **Florida Applications:** Use regular spreader rate. 4 annual feedings with the exception of bahiagrass and centipedegrass (2 feedings in the north and 3 feedings in the central and south).
- This package applies 3.33 lbs of product per 1,000 sq ft.
- Help keep our water clean. Do not apply near water, storm drains, or drainage ditches.
- Do not apply if heavy rain is expected. Apply this product only to your lawn and sweep any product that lands on driveway, sidewalk, or street back onto your lawn.

Guaranteed Analysis

Scotts® Green Max™ Lawn Fertilizer with 5.17% Iron for Deep Greening 26-0-2
F 943
Total nitrogen (N) 26%
5.94% ammoniacal nitrogen
10.12% urea nitrogen
7.96% other water soluble nitrogen
0.79% water available nitrogen
Soluble potash (K₂O) 0%
Sulfur (S) 11%
11.0% combined sulfur (S)
Iron (Fe) 5.17%
5.17% water soluble iron (Fe)
Delivered from: methylenediamine, potassium sulfate, ammonium sulfate and ferrous sulfate
*Contains 5.9% slowly available methylenediamine and dimethylenetriammonium

Distributed by:
The Scotts Company
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Marysville, OH 43041

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Information regarding the contents and levels of metals in this product is available on the internet at <http://www.regulatory-info-sc.com>

Primeros auxilios e información de almacenamiento

MANTENGA FUERA DEL ALCANCE DE LOS NIÑOS

PRECAUCIÓN

El contacto del contenido con los ojos puede causar irritación. Enjuague los ojos con agua tan pronto como sea posible después del contacto.

ALMACENAMIENTO

Almacene el producto en su envase original, fuera del alcance de los niños.

OTRAS COSAS QUE DEBE SABER

- **Aplicaciones en Florida:** Use la velocidad regular del esparcidor. 4 fertilizaciones anuales, con excepción del césped Bahía y el césped centipéas (2 fertilizaciones en el norte y 3 fertilizaciones en el centro y sur).
- Con este paquete se aplican 1.51 kg de producto por cada 93 m².
- Ayuda a mantener nuestra agua limpia. No aplique cerca de agua, desagües de tormenta o zanjas de drenaje.
- No aplique si se anuncian lluvias intensas. Aplique este producto solamente sobre césped y barra hacia el césped el producto que caiga sobre la entrada de automóviles, la vereda o la calle.

Scotts No-Quibble Guarantee®

If for any reason you, the consumer, are not satisfied after using this product, you are entitled to get your money back. Simply send us evidence of purchase and we will mail you a refund check promptly.

Si por alguna razón usted, el consumidor, no está satisfecho después de utilizar este producto, tiene derecho a que le devolvamos su dinero. Sólo deberá enviarnos el comprobante de compra y le enviaremos un cheque de reembolso por correo inmediatamente.

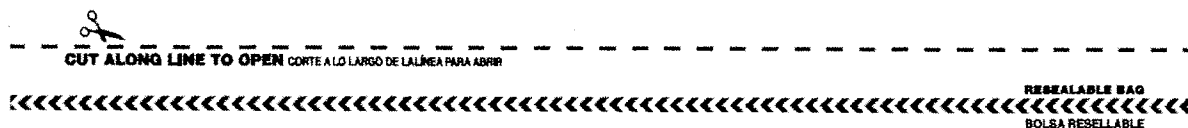
NOTES: To users' consider with applicable law, here assumes all rules of use, storage or handling of the product not in accordance with directions.

SCOTT'S® GREEN MAX™ LAWN FERTILIZER 5M 49100-1



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Exhibit 2



**Covers
1,000 sq. ft.**

*Nothing Greens
Like Ironite®*

IRONITE®

Mineral Supplement

Suplemento de minerales

Turns yellow to green

Convierte lo amarillo en verde

1-0-1

**For Lawns, Flowers, Shrubs,
Vegetables & Trees**

Will not burn

For a quick & long-lasting green

Contains soluble iron

For all soil types

Net Weight/Peso Neto 10 lbs. (4.5kg)

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RESEALABLE BAG
BOLSA RESELLABLE

CUT ALONG LINE TO OPEN
CORTE A LO LARGO DE LA LINEA PARA ABRIR

IRONITE Mineral Supplement

Suplemento de minerales

1-0-1

Vibrant, deep green foliage is a sign of a vigorous plant. Pale green or yellow foliage can be caused by nutrient deficiencies which can be corrected by the nitrogen, iron, and other minerals found in Ironite®.

Some of the ingredients in Ironite® are available to plants quickly to produce a rapid green-up. Other ingredients are available to plants over time for a longer-lasting green.

Ironite® can be used in all soil types. Turn yellow to green with Ironite®.

1 cup = 2/3 pound.

Directions For Use - Apply only as directed.

Note: Do not apply near water, storm drains or drainage ditches. Do not apply if heavy rain is expected. Apply this product only to your lawn/garden, and sweep any product that lands in the driveway, sidewalk, or street, back onto your lawn/garden.

For optimum results on lawns use 4 times per year but do not exceed 10 lawn applications per year. Ironite® is a supplement to your normal fertilization program.

Lawns and Turf: Apply Ironite® to established lawns at the rate of 1 lb. per 100 square feet (10 ft. x 10 ft.). See chart for spreader settings. Water deeply after application.

Ornamental and Evergreen Shrubs (roses, rhododendrons, azaleas, camellias, holly, juniper, pine, and many others): Apply Ironite® to established shrubs at the rate of 1 lb. per 100 square feet (5 ft. x 20 ft.). Evenly apply the product under the drip line of the shrubs. If possible, mix lightly into the soil. Take care not to damage plant roots. Water deeply after application.

Flowers, Vegetables & Berries: Apply Ironite® to established plants at the rate of 1 lb. per 100 square feet (10 ft. x 10 ft.). Evenly apply the product around the plants. If possible, mix lightly into the soil. Take care not to damage plant roots. Water deeply after application.

Citrus Trees, Other Fruit and Ornamental or Shade Trees, and Hedges: Apply Ironite® to established trees at the rate of 1 lb. per 100 square feet (10 ft. x 10 ft.). Evenly apply the product under the drip line. If possible, mix lightly into the soil. Take care not to damage plant roots. Water deeply after application.

For Plants in Containers: Apply Ironite® to established plants in containers at the rate of 1/2 tablespoon for a 12 inch diameter container (add 1/2 tablespoon for each additional 4 inches of diameter). Apply to plants that have been well-watered and are not drought-stressed. Apply evenly to the surface of the planting media. Do not apply within 2 inches of trunk or stem. If possible, mix lightly into planting media. Take care not to damage plant roots. Water well after application. Runoff may stain container exteriors and plant stands.

Note: Ironite® is intended as a supplement to a regular fertilization program and may not, by itself, provide all the nutrients normally required by crops and other intended plants. A typical lawn will use from 1 to 4 pounds of nitrogen per 1,000 sq. ft. per growing season. When used as directed, Ironite® provides 0.1 pound of nitrogen per 1,000 sq. ft. of lawn per application.

IRONITE® WILL STAIN. USE ONLY AS DIRECTED. KEEP IRONITE® OFF SURFACES SUCH AS SIDEWALKS, PATIOS, POOL AREAS, WOODEN DECKS, DRIVEWAYS AND CLOTHING. Sweep concrete surfaces immediately to prevent staining. If concrete is wet when contact occurs, staining may be impossible to prevent.

Water in lawn. Immediately after application, children and pets can re-enter treated areas when Ironite® has been watered in and the treated area is dry. Consumption of this product may make animals sick.

SETTING YOUR LAWN SPREADER

THESE SETTINGS ARE A GUIDE. They were determined by landscape professionals using new spreaders. The condition of your spreader, your walking speed, the roughness of the lawn, and even the humidity can affect how fast the product comes out. Watch the flow rate. If it appears to be coming out either slower or faster than you are covering the lawn, adjust the setting. Close the spreader when filling, turning or stopping.

Spreader Settings

Bag Covers 10 lbs. for 1,000 sq. ft.

Drop Spreader Models	Rotary Spreader Models
Scotts® AccuGreen® 1000	9
Scotts® AccuGreen® 2000	9
Scotts® AccuGreen® 3000	9
Earthway®	13
Precision Red Devil™	2.5
Vigoro®	11.5
Scotts® SpeedyGreen® 1000	11.5
Scotts® SpeedyGreen® 2000	11.5
Scotts® SpeedyGreen® 3000	11.5
Earthway®	22
Precision Red Devil™	13
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GUARANTEED ANALYSIS:
Total Nitrogen (N) 1%
1.0% Urea Nitrogen
Soluble Potash (K₂O) 1%
Calcium (Ca) 12%
Sulfur (S) 10%
10.0% Combined Sulfur (S)
Boron (B) 0.02%
Iron (Fe) 4.5%
2.25% Water Soluble Iron (Fe)
Manganese (Mn) 0.10%
0.02% Water Soluble Manganese (Mn)
Molybdenum (Mo) 0.0005%
Zinc (Zn) 0.10%
0.02% Water Soluble Zinc (Zn)

Derived from Urea, Muriate of Potash, Calcium Sulfate, Sodium Borate, Ferrous Sulfate, Iron Sulfate, Iron Oxide, Manganese Sulfate, Manganese Oxide, Sodium Molybdate, Zinc Sulfate, Zinc Oxide.

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Information regarding the contents and levels of metals in this product is available on the internet at <http://www.aapco.org/metals.htm>

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Gro Tec, Inc.
PO Box 290
Madison, GA 30650

USA

SATISFACTION GUARANTEED:
If you are not satisfied with the performance of this product, send your name, address, and proof of purchase (original dated receipt) to Ironite Refund, 1340 Treat Blvd., Suite 650, Walnut Creek, CA 94597, and we will refund your purchase price.

NOTICE: This product contains Methylene, a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm.

Inquiries? www.ironite.com



Un follaje verde intenso y vibrante es la señal de una planta vigorosa. Un follaje de color amarillo o verde pálido puede ser causado por deficiencias nutritivas que pueden corregirse con el nitrógeno, hierro y otros minerales encontrados en Ironite®.

Algunos de los ingredientes de Ironite® están disponibles para que las plantas rápidamente enverdezcan. Otros ingredientes están disponibles para las plantas con el correr del tiempo para obtener un color verde más duradero. Se puede utilizar Ironite® en todos los tipos de suelo. Convierta lo amarillo en verde con Ironite®.

1 taza = 2/3 libras.

Instrucciones de uso - Aplique solo según las indicaciones.

Nota: No lo aplique cerca de agua, drenajes pluviales o zanjas de drenaje. No lo aplique si se espera lluvia fuerte. Aplique este producto sólo a su césped o jardín, y barra de regreso al césped o jardín cuando el producto caiga en el camino de acceso, en aceras o en la calle.

Para obtener resultados óptimos en los céspedes, úselo 4 veces al año pero sin exceder de 10 aplicaciones al césped por año. Ironite® es un complemento para su programa normal de fertilización.

Césped y tepes: Aplique Ironite® al césped establecido en una proporción de 1 libra por cada 100 pies cuadrados (10 pies x 10 pies). Vea el cuadro para los parámetros de esparcimiento. Riegue abundantemente después de la aplicación.

Arbustos ornamentales y perennes (rosas, rododendros, azaleas, camelias, acebos, juniperos, pinos y varios otros): Aplique Ironite® a los arbustos establecidos en una proporción de 1 libra por cada 100 pies cuadrados (5 pies x 20 pies). Aplique uniformemente el producto bajo la línea de goteo de los arbustos. Si es posible, mezcle ligeramente con el suelo. Tenga cuidado de no dañar las raíces de las plantas. Riegue abundantemente después de la aplicación.

Flores, hortalizas y bayas: Aplique Ironite® a las plantas establecidas en una proporción de 1 libra por cada 100 pies cuadrados (10 pies x 10 pies). Aplique uniformemente el producto alrededor de las plantas. Si es posible, mezcle ligeramente con el suelo. Tenga cuidado de no dañar las raíces de las plantas. Riegue abundantemente después de la aplicación.

Árboles cítricos, otras frutas y árboles ornamentales o de sombra y setos: Aplique Ironite® a los árboles establecidos en una proporción de 1 libra por cada 100 pies cuadrados (10 pies x 10 pies). Aplique uniformemente el producto bajo la línea de goteo. Si es posible, mezcle ligeramente con el suelo. Tenga cuidado de no dañar las raíces de las plantas. Riegue abundantemente después de la aplicación.

Para plantas en macetas: Aplique Ironite® a las plantas establecidas en macetas en una proporción de 1/2 cucharada por cada maceta de 12 pulgadas de diámetro (agregue 1/2 cucharada por cada 4 pulgadas de diámetro adicional). Aplique en plantas que han sido bien regadas y que no hayan sido afectadas por sequía. Aplique uniformemente en la superficie del sustrato de plantación. No aplique a menos de 2 pulgadas del tronco o tallo. Si es posible, mezcle ligeramente con el sustrato de plantación. Tenga cuidado de no dañar las raíces de las plantas. Riegue bien después de la aplicación. El escumamiento puede dañar el exterior de la maceta y los soportes de las plantas.

Nota: Ironite® está diseñado como complemento del programa regular de fertilización y no puede por sí solo suministrar todos los nutrientes normalmente requeridos por los cultivos y otras plantas para el mismo fin. Un césped típico utilizará de 1 a 4 libras de nitrógeno por cada 1,000 pies cuadrados para la estación de crecimiento. Cuando se utilice según las indicaciones, Ironite® suministra 0.1 libras de nitrógeno por cada 1,000 pies cuadrados de césped por aplicación.

IRONITE CAUSA MANCHAS. USE SEGÚN LAS INSTRUCCIONES. MANTÉNGA IRONITE FUERA DE LAS SUPERFICIES COMO LAS ACERAS, PATIOS, ZONAS DE PISCINA, ESTANTES DE MADERA, CAMINOS INTERIORES Y ROPA. Barras las superficies de concreto inmediatamente para evitar que se produzcan manchas. Si el concreto está húmedo cuando ocurre el contacto, puede ser imposible evitar el manchado.

Riegue inmediatamente después de la aplicación. Los niños y las mascotas pueden re-entrar en las áreas tratadas después de regar el Ironite®, cuando el área tratada está seca. Los animales se pueden enfermar al consumir este producto.

AJUSTES DE SU ESPARCIDOR DE CÉSPED

ESTOS PARÁMETROS SON UNA GUÍA. Estos parámetros fueron determinados por jardineros profesionales utilizando esparcidores nuevos. La condición de su esparcidor, su velocidad al caminar, el mantenimiento del césped e incluso la humedad pueden afectar la velocidad en que surge el producto. Controle la velocidad de flujo. Si parece que el producto sale más lento o más rápido de lo que usted cubre el césped, calibre el ajuste. Cierre el esparcidor cuando llene, gire o se detenga.

Ajustes del esparcidor

Bolsa de 10 libras cubre 1,000 pies cuadrados.

Modelos de esparcidor de goteo	Modelos de esparcidor rotatorio
Scotts® AccuGreen® 1000	9
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ANÁLISIS GARANTIZADO:
Nitrógeno total (N) 1%
1.0% Nitrógeno de la urea
Potasio soluble (K₂O) 1%
Calcio (Ca) 12%
Azufre (S) 10%
10.0% de azufre mixto (S)
Boro (B) 0.02%
Hierro (Fe) 4.5%
2.25% Hierro soluble en agua (Fe)
Manganeso (Mn) 0.10%
0.02% Manganeso soluble en agua (Mn)
Molibdeno (Mo) 0.0005%
Cinc (Zn) 0.10%
0.02% Cinc soluble en agua (Zn)

Derivado de la urea, muriato de potasio, sulfato de calcio, borato de sodio, sulfato ferroso, sulfato de hierro, óxido de hierro, sulfato de manganeso, óxido de manganeso, molibdato de sodio, sulfato de cinc, óxido de cinc.

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La información concerniente al contenido y niveles de los metales de este producto se encuentra disponible en Internet en <http://www.aapco.org/metals.htm>

SATISFACCIÓN GARANTIZADA:

Si usted no queda satisfecho(a) con el rendimiento de este producto, envíe su nombre, dirección y comprobante de compra (con fecha de recepción original) a Ironite Refund, 1340 Treat Blvd., Suite 650, Walnut Creek, CA 94597, y le devolveremos el precio de su compra.

AVISO: Este producto contiene metileno, un químico que el Estado de California clasifica como causante de cáncer y defectos de nacimiento u otros daños reproductivos.

Llenado por peso y no por volumen.

El producto puede asentarse después de empaquetar.

Exhibit 3



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Feed for the Fall

Feed New Grass

Weed, Bug and Disease Control

Grass Seed

Spreaders

Soil

Mulch

Plant Food

Snap System

Scotts® Green MAX Lawn Fertilizer



★★★★☆ 3.8 / 5 ⓘ

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Overview & Benefits

- Contains triple the iron for fast, extreme greening.*
- Kid and pet friendly.
- Water Smart® improves lawn's ability to absorb water and nutrients.

** Compared to regular fertilizers when applied at recommended rates.*

Available sizes:
5,000 sq. ft.

BUY NOW

Locate Retailer

Receive Email Tips

Save to Supply List

Chat with Us

Chat with a Scotts service representative to get immediate help with questions about this product.

Online

CHAT LIVE WITH OUR EXPERTS NOW!

CHAT NOW

Live Chat by [LivePerson](#)
★★★★★

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Product Ratings

★★★★☆ 3.8 / 5 ⓘ

Quality
★★★★ 4 / 5

Value
★★★★ 3.7 / 5

48 out of 75 (64%) reviewers recommend this product.

Advanced filters

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▶ How many times purchased in the past

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▶ Cons

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ruined my beautiful lawn

📅 September 25, 2013

Anonymous Brick, NJ, USA
Age: 55 to 64 **Gender:** Female **Gardening Experience:** 8 to 15 years
Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time
How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

I am a loyal Scotts user. With the early heat we had this year, my lawn needed a boost. "Max" was a big mistake, and I will never stray for "Turfbuilder" again. If I didn't know better I would have sworn I had grubs as I watched my grass grow weak and most of it died. I rate this product as awful. Yes, directions were followed, maybe even applied too lightly. Thank Heavens. Had to rake out almost half of my lawn.

Cons take the name "scotts off this product.

✖ No, I do not recommend this product.

Response from scotts Christin, *Consumer Service*

September 26, 2013

I am sorry that you have experienced problems with your lawn following an application of Scotts Green Max Southern Lawn Fertilizer plus 5.17% Iron. This product has proven to be a good product and has been thoroughly tested on the grass varieties listed on the label when applied according to label directions.

Damage can occur if products are accidentally over applied or applied to drought and heat stressed turf. This type of damage can sometimes be minimized by watering 1/2 inch every 3 days if rain is not expected. We suggest that you follow this program for the next 4 weeks if you do not receive sufficient rainfall. We also recommend that you do not apply any other product for the next 4 weeks while your lawn tries to recover from this situation.

Also, please be aware that issues such as lawn disease or insects feeding are often mistaken for product damage. You may want to take a sample of the damaged area to a reputable nursery to rule these out.

We want you to be confident in our products. For this reason, we offer a product guarantee to our consumers. At your earliest convenience please contact us to see what can be done. You may visit our contact page by clicking on the following link <http://tinyurl.com/7ag7a3n>

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Reply 



disappointed

 August 10, 2013

djram

I read all reviews about stains so I was extra careful to sweep my driveway after application. Next day we had rain and spots appeared all over my driveway. Will have to spend more money removing the stains than cost of product. My lawn looked ok, but no different than other scotts fertilizers. Was not worth buying.

✖ No, I do not recommend this product.

Response from scotts Christin, *Consumer Service*


August 12, 2013

I am sorry to hear that your driveway was stained after using Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer plus 5.17% Iron. The iron in Green Max Lawn Fertilizer plus 5.17% Iron may stain as indicated on the back of the label. The quicker a stain removal process is begun, the more effective the process will be. Sunlight and water will help to fade the iron stains from the product on outdoor surfaces, but will not completely remove them. While not endorsed or guaranteed by Scotts, the following products have shown to be effective at removing iron stains from regular concrete and are registered for this use: Signature Concrete Rust Remover, Goof Off Rust Stain Remover Outdoors or Super Iron Out Outdoor.


We suggest you refer to the product label before applying any product to an iron-stained surface. Before using any commercial cleaning products to remove stains, test a small area to make sure the cleaner itself does not cause damage. Most stain removal products work best with two applications.

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Grass is lush and green. This works as promised

 August 2, 2013

swt Colorado

Max Green works as promised, and the lawn is greener than ever.

For those giving this low ratings because it stained your concrete, you need to read instructions. The instructions of use CLEARLY state to sweep off any of the Max Green from concrete before watering.


HIGH SCHOOL CHEMISTRY REMINDER: Iron rusts when meeting H2O. Therefore, iron leaves stains when it's on concrete and water is applied.

Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective


 **Yes, I recommend this product.**

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Scotts Green MAX

 July 14, 2013

Anonymous Morro Bay, CA, USA

Age: 35 to 44 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** 2-3 times


How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

This product does EXACTLY what it's intended to do. My lawn is growing like no other...it's green...and the kids love it!

Follow the instructions and keep your cement/driveway clear of the fertilizer...it's not that difficult.

Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

 **Yes, I recommend this product.**

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Too difficult to use

July 10, 2013

Ltw1008 Montgomery, TX, USA
Age: 35 to 44 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 8 to 15 years **Experience:** Expert
How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time
How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

I've never used Scott's Green Max product before, but wanted to try it even though I had read all the mixed reviews. I live about an hour north of Houston, TX. My yard is approximately 2.5 acres of sodded St. Augustine grass and it is completely irrigated. When it's green, it looks awesome. Due to virtually no rainfall in my area in the month of June 2013, my grass started losing it's deep green color. I decided to use the Green Max product the last weekend in June to get back the green. While it did work in some areas, it didn't work in other areas. In some areas, it even burnt my grass; which I've had to spot water the heck out of it to get it to come back. The other issue is the concrete staining. I was extremely careful to try not to get the fertilizer on my drive way and sidewalk as I had read all the bad reviews about the staining. Like always, I blew everything off after I was done with the yard and even swept along the edges of the grass like the instructions say to do. It didn't matter. The pieces are so small that you can't possibly get them all. The other problem was that I accidentally ran over some of the pieces when they were on the driveway with my spreader thus crushing the pieces into a fine dust on the driveway and sidewalk. Once these crushed pieces got wet, it left long brown stains on my driveway which now look terrible.

Quality

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There's no doubt that this product will green your lawn under PERFECT circumstances: flat yard, even spreading, perfect watering conditions, etc. But in the real world, this product's positives don't out weigh the negatives...in my opinion anyways. I'm going to stay with Scott's, but will go back to the standard TurfBuilder product. The Green Max product is just too "iffy" for me.

- Pros Effective
- Cons Didn't work as expected, Difficult to use

✖ No, I do not recommend this product.

Response from scotts Christin, Consumer Service

July 11, 2013

I am sorry to learn that you have experienced problems with your lawn following an application of Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer plus 5.17% Iron. Damage can occur if products are accidentally over applied or applied to drought and heat stressed turf. This type of damage can sometimes be minimized by watering 1/2 inch every 3 days if rain is not expected. We suggest that you follow this program for the next 4 weeks if you do not receive sufficient rainfall. We also recommend that you do not apply any other product for the next 4 weeks while your lawn tries to recover from this situation.

I am also very sorry to hear about the damage to your concrete driveway and sidewalk that occurred while using Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer plus 5.17% Iron. The iron in Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer plus 5.17% Iron may stain. The quicker a stain removal process is begun, the more effective the process will be. Sunlight and water will help to fade the iron stains from the product on outdoor surfaces, but will not completely remove them. Before using any commercial cleaning products to remove stains, test the product on a small area to see if the product will fade or damage the stained surface. Most stain removal products work best with two applications. Be sure to thoroughly rinse the area after applying a stain removal product.

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My light Green Lawn is now Brown

July 2, 2013

Jdogdude

All this did was burn my lawn, and I used a Scott's spreader.

Cons Didn't work as expected, burn't my lawn

No, I do not recommend this product.

Quality



Value



Response from scotts Christin, Consumer Service

July 3, 2013

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STAINS, STAINS,STAINS EVERYWHERE

July 1, 2013

Kirin66 Delaware, USA Top 250 contributor

Age: 65 or over Gender: Male Gardening Experience: 1 to 3 years
Experience: Intermediate/Average How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time
How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

We have a new home with A concrete sidewalk and walkway and a sod lawn. We just moved into eight weeks ago. I used Scotts Turf Builder Starter six weeks ago and was pleased with the results. Thinking that the lawn could be greener I bought Scott's Green MAX and applied it per the directions with a Scott's Edge Guard spreader. I then swept the concrete drive and walks and then used my blower to be sure it was all off the concrete.

Next morning I had rust streaks everywhere. The label warnings are grossly understated and I NEVER WOULD HAVE USED THE PRODUCT HAD I REALIZED THE EXTENT OF THE DAMAGE IT CAN CAUSE. I now have to figure a way to remove the stains - waiting to let it fade is NOT an option! I WILL NEVER USE THIS AGAIN NO MATTER WHAT THE RESULTS ON THE GRASS ARE! My wife is in tears and I am furious!

Cons Didn't work as expected, Messy, Difficult to use, Problem with label, horrible results

No, I do not recommend this product.

Quality



Value



Response from scotts Christin, Consumer Service

July 2, 2013

We're sorry to hear about your experience with the Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer. The iron in Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer plus 5.17% Iron may stain. The quicker a stain removal process is begun, the more effective the process will be. Sunlight and water will help to fade the iron stains from the product on outdoor surfaces, but will not completely remove them. Check with your local hardware store for cleaning products that will remove iron and that are safe for your concrete surfaces. Please contact us at the following link for more information and assistance with our product guarantee.
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Impossible Rust Stains

June 22, 2013

Supercalifragelistic Corona, CA
Age: 65 or over **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 30 or more years
Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time
How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

I read the Scott Green Max directions prior to use and was careful to sweep the concrete after application. Unfortunately, I missed a few spots during the cleanup and I have unsightly rust stains on my concrete. Now it's down to Home Depot to try and find something to remove the ugliness. The product is effective in greening the lawn but it's too easy to damage your concrete. I'm sorry... I just can't recommend this product and would NEVER buy this again. Ugh...!!

- Pros** Easy to Use, Effective
- Cons** Messy, concrete rust stains

No, I do not recommend this product.

Response from scotts Christin, *Consumer Service*
June 27, 2013

I am sorry to hear about the damage to concrete or pavers that occurred while using Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer plus 5.17% Iron. The iron in Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer plus 5.17% Iron may stain. The quicker a stain removal process is begun, the more effective the process will be. Sunlight and water will help to fade the iron stains from the product on outdoor surfaces, but will not completely remove them. Before using any commercial cleaning products to remove stains, test the product on a small area to see if the product will fade or damage the stained surface. Most stain removal products work best with two applications. Be sure to thoroughly rinse the area after applying a stain removal product.

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Does not green the grass like it says

June 21, 2013

Berry Oakland tennessee

Age: 45 to 54 **Gender:** Female **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

I used it on my yard last sunday and it was watered in good and I applies it like the instructions. My yard looks no different than my neighbors who do nothing and their yard is light green. Also now I have the seed heads popping up everywhere and it looks awful. I love scotts products but not this one!

Pros Easy to Use

Cons Didn't work as expected

No, I do not recommend this product.

Response from scotts *Christin, Consumer Service*

June 27, 2013

I am sorry that you did not receive the fertilizer response that you expected from Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer plus 5.17% Iron. To get the most out of any fertilizer, we recommend that you maintain your lawn with adequate water and regular feedings. If repeated applications of fertilizer fail to green the lawn, we recommend that you purchase a soil test kit to check the soil pH. Soil pH should be between 5.5 - 7.5 for lawns. If it is outside this range, add lime (to raise pH) or soil sulfur (to lower pH) at least once a year in spring or fall. A pH imbalance will prevent the lawn from absorbing fertilizer, even

if you apply heavily.

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Reply

Posted by **RollDog**

on June 22, 2013

You have to give it time to work. I prefer TurfBuilder anyway.

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A Definite Green-Up

June 20, 2013

wiredawg Kathleen, GA, USA

Age: 35 to 44 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 1 to 3 years **Experience:** Intermediate/Average

How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: 2-3 times

Will definitely be a return customer for this product. Talk about greening my grass, got all my neighbors talking and 2 out of 5 use a "lawn service". I have bermuda grass, live in the middle Georgia area (clay-soil type). Applied on 1 Jun 2013 and it's doing it's job. Now, If I could just get rid on all my crab-grass and dallisgrass I would be just right... :)

Quality



Value



Pros Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **6**

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Reply

Posted by **Berry**

on June 23, 2013

use Image on crabgrass and nutgrass. Works great!

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Product was very easy to apply

June 17, 2013

Marlon45 Richmond, TX, USA

Age: 45 to 54 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 1 to 3 years **Experience:** Intermediate/Average

How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time
How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

Since this was the 3rd product I used over the course of 3 years, I asked the experts about the setting for my spreader, Instead of using that setting I reduced it to #3 & did not over feed, afterwards I cleaned up all excessive fertilizer from drive & sidewalk to ensure none would cause stains & Now my lawn is beautiful once again, No Burn, entire lawn evenly deep rich color, Thanks for an excellent product.

Quality



Value



Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **6**

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Reply



Driveway and sidewalks are all permanently stained- Beware!

June 11, 2013

rsluss Naples, FL, USA

Top 25 contributor

Age: 35 to 44 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years **Experience:** Expert

How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

I received this product in the spring at my local Lowes during a promo in which you got it for free if you purchased Weed and Feed for Southern Lawns. I dont usually use it, but have enjoyed other Scotts products so I gave it a shot. Like many other reviewers, almost immediately after spreading this on my southern lawn the overspread stained my driveway, and perimeter home walkways, which are all concrete. I have tried high pressure washing, concrete cleaners, bleaches and rust removers all to no avail. I am also starting to get the heat from our community HOA and ACC over how unsightly it is, which could lean to fines. This experience will make me question purchasing Scotts lawn care products ever again, which is a shame because I have enjoyed the brand for years. If you choose to use it, do so on a very dry day and immediately clear it off of surfaces using a high speed blower, not water.

Quality



Value



Cons Messy, poor directions and unclear warnings

No, I do not recommend this product.

Response from scotts Christin, *Consumer Service*

June 25, 2013

We are sorry to hear about the staining to your concrete or pavers that occurred while using Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer. The iron in Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer may stain. The quicker a stain removal process is begun, the more effective the process will be. Sunlight and water will help to fade the iron stains from the product on outdoor surfaces, but will not completely remove them. Before using any commercial cleaning products to remove stains, test the product on a small area to see if the product will fade or damage the stained surface.

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Posted by **Squiddly**

on June 22, 2013

From the Scott's website:

How to Use

1. Fill and Set Spreader
2. Apply evenly to a wet or dry lawn
3. Clean Up - Sweeping product from hard surfaces onto the lawn keeps product on the grass and prevents staining.

Seems pretty clear to me; same instructions for Scott's Turf Builder +2 with Iron. How does the grass look?

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Nice Product

June 9, 2013

PhilHor Michigan **Top 25 contributor**

Age: 35 to 44 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 1 to 3 years **Experience:** Intermediate/Average
How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time
How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

I used this product and I'm happy with it....Followed the directions and didn't have any problems what so ever with stains. I used a blower to blow off any remaining fertilizer on my driveway.I cant believe there are so many comments about staining when I had none....

Quality



Value



Pros Quality, Easy to Use

Yes, I recommend this product.

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Fantastic product

June 9, 2013

gregmcc17 Coppell, TX, USA
Age: 25 to 34 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 1 to 3 years **Experience:** Beginner
How many days within the past 12 months: 2-3 times
How many times purchased in the past: 2-3 times

This is a great product that really did work within days of application. Yes, this product produces rust stains as stated by others but can be avoided if you sweep/blow the fertilizer off of any non-grassed surface. Again, if you don't want the rust stains, you really need to make sure you sweep! As long as you do this, you will be very pleased with your lawn.

Quality



Value



Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Cons rust stains but they can be avoided as i stated

Yes, I recommend this product.

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Reply



Very pleased

June 3, 2013

Chicot72 Lewisville, TX, USA

Age: 65 or over **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 30 or more years **Experience:** Expert

How many days within the past 12 months: 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: 2-3 times

This is the second time I have used this product and I am very pleased. My yard looks great. I applied the fertilizer to a dry lawn and then used my leaf blower to blow off my driveway and sidewalks and have had no problem with iron stains.

Quality



Value



Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **5** **0**

Reply



READ AND FOLLOW DIRECTIONS FIRST

June 1, 2013

lonestarniner Dallas, TX, USA

Age: 35 to 44 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 4 to 7 years **Experience:** Expert

How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

The product is as advertised however if you DO NOT blow or sweep away each granule your cement areas will be damage beyond repair. I will be trying a new method this weekend to remove all of the rust stains. I've tried power washing it to no avail so now I will have to buy a rust remover and hope that it doesnt leak into my lawn and cause my lush green grass to turn brown.

Quality



Value



Not worth the trouble, next round I'll go organic.

Pros Value, Easy to Use, Quality, Effective

Cons Messy, severe staining to occur if used improperly, bad directions

No, I do not recommend this product.

helpful **4** **2**

Reply



nice and green!

May 29, 2013

gavenb Olive Branch, MS, USA

Age: 25 to 34 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 4 to 7 years **Experience:** Beginner

How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

i have a brushed small aggregate driveway, so staining wasn't an issue. It worked great for me. i used the edgeguard too. I'd say it was a win for me. helped repair my junk lawn.

Quality



Value

Pros Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective



Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful 4 0

Reply



unhappy and sorry I used this product

May 15, 2013

springTx Spring, TX, USA

Top 100 contributor

Age: 45 to 54 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time

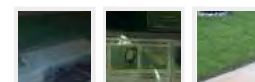
How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

Although the instructions say the grass can be wet or dry, there is nothing mentioned about the horrible rust staining that this product causes to wet surfaces other than grass. I spread Green Max during a light rain. I tried to sweep off the driveway and such but the damage was done. I have horrible rust stains on my driveway, sidewalk, landscape rocks, house siding, and pool deck. I have spent several hours and dollars trying different methods to remove the stains. The stains have not faded at all. Not the smallest bit. Even if my lawn were to turn into the greenest green, nobody would notice it due to the ugly rust stains covering everything. The rust stains even cover the street and gutters from where the rain washed it away. It's a good, permanent reminder of where the runoff goes.

Quality



Value



Cons Messy, Problem with label, horrible rust stains

No, I do not recommend this product.

Response from scotts Jeremy, Consumer Services

May 19, 2013

We are sorry to hear about the staining to your concrete or pavers that occurred while using Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer. The iron in Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer may stain. The quicker a stain removal process is begun, the more effective the process will be. Sunlight and water will help to fade the iron stains from the product on outdoor surfaces, but will not completely remove them. Before using any commercial cleaning products to remove stains, test the product on a small area to see if the product will fade or damage the stained surface.

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Stains,stains and more stains

May 9, 2013

BuffyD Killeen, texas

Top 25 contributor

Age: 35 to 44 **Gender:** Female **Gardening Experience:** 8 to 15 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

Quality

If you use this you will get a great lawn, but you will have so many stains on your concrete ,(as if you use Ironite). I sweep the concrete (driveway and sidewalk) very ,very well. I had read the reviews and was aware of the staining problems, but like they say hard head makes a soft..... I thought that if I sweep well ,it would be fine. Nope, I applied it before rain and the granules from the lawn ran onto the driveway and sidewalk. I have to buy a rust remover to get rid of all the stains.

Value

Value

Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Effective

Cons Messy, will stain any contact with concrete

No, I do not recommend this product.

Response from scotts Jeremy, Consumer Service

May 19, 2013

We are sorry to hear about the staining that has occurred while using Scotts Bonus S MAX Southern Weed & Feed And Fire Ant Killer. The more quickly a stain can be removed, the more effective the process will be.

We strongly recommend that before using any commercial cleaning products to remove stains, test the product on a small area to see if the product will fade or damage the stained surface. Note that sealed or colored concrete or pavers may experience lifting of the sealant or color with many cleaning products.

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Greens lawn, difficult to spread

May 3, 2013

Tbailey2434 Wetumpka, AL

Age: 35 to 44 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

The product worked well on my lawn, but was so amazingly hygroscopic that it pulled moisture from the air and clumped as soon as I put it in the spreader. The bag was solid, like a vacuum-packed brick of coffee when I purchased it; opening it, it poured well into the spreader.

Quality

Quality

Value

Value

Then the humidity of Alabama took hold, and it clumped. Every three feet or so, I ended up having to stir the fertilizer with a stick so that it would feed. While I'm sure the water-absorbing/retaining properties are intentional, they work a tad too well for anyone in the Deep South, or any other naturally humid clime.

I am satisfied with the product, but I cannot give it a higher or recommended rating because it was terribly difficult to apply. It greened up the lawn, where I was able to apply it, though the clumping means I have streaks of GREEN grass interspersed with thatchy-brushy looking grass that will take longer to green up. While I have used many Scotts products in the past and readily recommended them, I won't be purchasing this product again.

Pros Quality, Effective

Cons Didn't work as expected, Difficult to use, clumps in the slightest humidity, costly

No, I do not recommend this product.

Response from scotts Wendy, Consumer Services

May 12, 2013

So sorry to hear that you had such problems with the humidity. We do a lot to prevent our lawn food products from clumping. We are glad you are otherwise happy with the product, but sorry this didn't work out.

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Do Not Use if you have concrete anywhere your lawn

May 1, 2013

Chief462 Schererville, IN, USA **Top 50 contributor**

Age: 35 to 44 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years **Experience:** Expert

How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

Purchased this year in March instead of my usual Turf Builder. The bag was labled as kid friendly which i liked but what was needed was a warning as big that states that you cannot get any on the concrete. On the back it states that you should sweep up excess, it should state that brooming may not be sufficient, I applied mine with a Scotts edguard brocast spreader and then swept up what thought was the rest. It rained over night and when I went out it looked like apainting of a meteor shower on my driveway. It also does not state that a pressure washer will not get it up, nor store bought concrete cleaner (CLR for driveways). I then went on the website and saw the recommendation for the Rust store product. Bought two tubs at \$22 each and it removed the comet tails but there is still small dots so I have purchased 5 more. After all said and done I will have spent over \$150 to repair the driveway and sidewalk. My recommendation stick to the regular turf builder if on the four bag cycle like I am.

Quality



Value



Cons Messy, Problem with label, destroys concrete

No, I do not recommend this product.

Response from scotts *Jeremy, Consumer Services*

May 9, 2013

We are sorry that you found the Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer label misleading. Scotts makes every effort to provide clear and accurate information on every product label. We are also sorry to hear about the staining of your concrete that occurred while using Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer. The iron in Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer may stain. The quicker a stain removal process is begun, the more effective the process will be. Sunlight and water will help to fade the iron stains from the product on outdoor surfaces, but will not completely remove them. Before using any commercial cleaning products to remove stains, test the product on a small area to see if the product will fade or damage the stained surface.

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Buyer Beware!

April 29, 2013

Greenleaves Jacksonville, FL **Top 100 contributor**

Age: 65 or over **Gender:** Female **Gardening Experience:** 30 or more years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

I was set to purchase my second bag of Max Green when I read the reviews. Previous reviewers are correct. MAX GREEN GRANULES WILL

Quality



RUST ANY CONCRETE STRUCTURE (driveway, patio, frontwalk, sidewalk, statuary). A green lawn for seven weeks is not worth permanent rust stains on concrete. I'm quite angry with Scotts for placing a destructive product on the market.

Value



Pros Effective

Cons Didn't work as expected, Problem with label, destructive to concrete structures

No, I do not recommend this product.

Response from scotts Jeremy, Consumer Services

May 9, 2013

We are sorry that you found the Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer label misleading. Scotts makes every effort to provide clear and accurate information on every product label. This product does contain iron, which may cause staining if used on surfaces other than the lawn. To prevent this kind of staining we suggest carefully sweeping any particles that did not end up on the lawn back into the lawn area before watering.

helpful 6

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Reply



Becarefull, it will stain your driveway

April 22, 2013

Jorgeort San Antonio, TX, USA

Age: 25 to 34

Gender: Male

Gardening Experience: 1 to 3 years

Experience: Beginner

How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

I read some of the reviews before using this product so I spent about 20 mins. cleaning my sidewalk and driveway to avoid staining. But I still got some stains, not a lot but quite a few. Last year I used about 4 to 6 different Scott's products and they all worked great, my lawn was thick and green and no stains. What I notice is that the other Scott's products have a white/gray color but this Green Max has a red/orange color. I think that I will go back to using the Scott's products that I used last year and avoid those stains. To those people that think this product didn't stain your driveway go back and check the edges you'll find some stains.

Quality



Value



Cons Messy, stains

No, I do not recommend this product.

Response from scotts Wendy, Consumer Services

April 29, 2013

You are correct, it is important to make certain that all of this product is cleaned off the surfaces of your sidewalk or driveway before you water the area. If you have a stain, some rust removal products will work to remove them. Anyone who has this problem and needs suggestions of products should contact us.

helpful 6

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Reply



Took a little longer than three (3) days to really turn deep green

March 31, 2013

Joese Pasadena, CA, USA

Age: 55 to 64 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 4 to 7 years **Experience:** Intermediate/Average

How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

The 10X max product worked very well. My lawn is deep green and even deep green throughout. I applied 10X to a dry lawn. I swept the outline area well and avoided all staining. This product is for project lovers, so if you don't want to really sweep well and follow directions this is not for you. The deep green took six days to just over a week to fully set in.

Quality



Value



Pros Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective, sweeps up easily while dry

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **8** **0**

Reply



This product stains Horribly!

November 24, 2012

DavidPet88 Temecula, CA, USA

Age: 55 to 64 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 30 or more years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

I purchased Green Max for the first time and read all of the instructions very carefully. I did sweep the pellets off of my concrete as directed, but REALLY regret not making 100% absolutely sure that EVERY pellet, thrown from my "whirly" type spreader was removed from any concrete or block work. Each missed pellet leaves a dark "rust" colored stain when it dissolves which DOES NOT wash off even with a power washer. My concrete looks horrible! The product warning needs to be much more specific as to the perils of missing ANY of the pellets and that the stains are permanent!

Quality

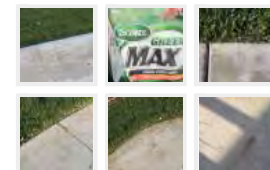


Value



Cons Problem with label, permanent stains

No, I do not recommend this product.



Response from scotts Lee Ann, Consumer Service

November 26, 2012

We're sorry to hear about your experience with the Scotts Green Max. Your comments have been reported to our Marketing Team for review. Unfortunately, when the granules are not removed from hard surfaces staining may occur. Check with your local hardware store for cleaning products that will remove iron and that are safe for your concrete surface. Make sure to research the product and test the application before using. Please contact us at the following link for more information and assistance with our product guarantee. <http://tinyurl.com/7ag7a3n>

helpful **3** **7**

Reply



Did not cover anywhere 10,000 sq. feet as claimed.

November 4, 2012

RetiredGovtSlug

Age: 35 to 44 **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years **Experience:** Expert

How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

I purchased two products, Green MAX Lawn Fertilizer and the Turf Builder Classic Drop Spreader in order to rid myself of my professional lawn service. The large MAX bag provided a setting of 7 for the drop spreader and advised that I could expect it to cover 10,000 sq. feet. In reality, the spreader ran dry at about the half way point. I doubled checked and confirmed that all settings were correct. At \$40 a bag, this is just too expensive to squander and I am returning the empty bag and the spreader to Home Depot (who usually will refund almost anything...). I haven't seen anything regarding customer service from Scotts so I will go with the Home Depot route.

Quality



Value



Cons Didn't work as expected, Problem with label, lack of coverage

No, I do not recommend this product.

Response from scotts Lee Ann, *Consumer Service*

November 5, 2012

We're sorry to hear about your experience with the Scotts Classic Drop Spreader and the Scott Green Max Lawn Fertilizer. There are a few things that can affect the flow rate. Did you check the calibration of the spreader before using it? Some spreaders can go out of calibration over time and should be check periodically or when you notice a problem. Did you overlap properly? With drop spreaders, it is important to line up your wheel marks. Were you walking an average pace? When applying fertilizer the walking pace should be about 20 feet every 5 seconds. Walking too slowly will drop more fertilizer in less area. If none of these situations apply, then I'm as perplexed as you. We do offer a product guarantee. If you would like to discuss this problem or our product guarantee with us please use the following link. <http://tinyurl.com/7ag7a3n>

helpful **2**

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Reply



Dark Green Grass Fast!

October 2, 2012

glewandowski Fairfax, VA, USA

Age: 45 to 54 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: 4-5 times

I Have been using Scotts products for over 25 years. I love Green Max for the dark rich green color it makes my lawn. The extra Iron in the product does the trick! Without too much Nitrogen, that will make the lawn grow faster. It is foolproof, if you follow the instructions. My neighbors always compliment my Lawn, and often ask what I use to get it so Green & Lush. I simply tell them Scotts!

Quality



Value



Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective, darkest green fast!

Cons none



Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **6**

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Reply

Posted by **Vvs123**

on April 11, 2013

Hi

I've been trying to make lawn look nice with using scotts but I have not succeeded. I like your lawn and that's how I want my lawn to be. Can you tell me how you got your lawn to look that way.

Thank you

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This product worked great for me.

October 1, 2012

dgoins Owings Mills, MD, USA

Age: 65 or over **Gender:** Female **Gardening Experience:** 4 to 7 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: 2-3 times

Having used several different fertilizers for the last couple of years, I found Scotts Green Max Fertilizer the best. My grass is truly green; in fact it looks better than my neighbor's grass--this neighbor uses a lawn service.

Quality



Value



With the fantastic results I see, I highly recommend this product. As a retired teacher I always rated students fairly--and I have followed suit with this fertilizer.

Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful 7 1

Reply



Works like magic

October 1, 2012

fkraut Chicago, IL, USA

Age: 55 to 64 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 30 or more years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

My neighbor and I are in a bit competitive with our lawns; we water and cut the grass equally. During the extreme heat our lawns showed the distress. I applied Green Max and within days my lawn greened up while his stayed brown.

Quality



Value



Pros Easy to Use

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful 8 1

Reply



Results speak for themselves

September 30, 2012

scottymo Atlanta, GA, USA

Age: 35 to 44 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** 4-5 times

How many times purchased in the past: 6-10 times

Green Max works exactly as advertised. I have Tiffway 419 and this product gives my lawn a very rich dark green color everytime. I've used straight nitrogen in summer months but it can't compare to the color I get using Green Max. I've used Scott's products for years and never had it clump in spreader, make sure to sweep off concrete or it will stain.

Quality



Value



Pros Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **5** **0**

Reply



This product has great results

September 29, 2012

DeePer Texas, USA

Age: 45 to 54 **Gender:** Female **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years **Experience:** Expert

How many days within the past 12 months: 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: More than 10 times

I've recently moved into a new home and the yard was new sod. It had a lot of weeds, and it was struggling, as it was early July when we moved in. It was burnt in a lot of places, and the weeds were bad. First I used Scotts Turf Control with Weed and Feed. Watered it very heavily...\$267 water bill the first month!!

Then I followed up, after 2 months, with Scotts Green Max. There are new homes all around me and the neighbors are asking how my lawn looks so good in such a short amount of time. It greened up, and now is weed free, and very healthy. Water bill this last month was \$13!!!! I use ONLY Scott's products on my yard. I will not use anything else.

Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **9** **0**

Reply



One Awesome Product

September 28, 2012

Edenzgarden Oklahoma

Top 50 contributor

Gender: Female **Gardening Experience:** 1 to 3 years

How many days within the past 12 months: 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: 2-3 times

This is one product that is worth the money especially if you live in drought susceptible places. I didn't use it this year thinking we wouldn't be going through the drought like last year.... boy was I wrong! I see

Quality



Value

such a difference from last year. I decided just to fertilize more regularly instead..my grass is thicker but not greener. It is the best product I know of that retains moisture and keeps your lawn healthy. I will be using this yearly from now on. I never had a problem with staining. But as with all iron containing fertilizers, they do say take precautions. I will admit it is "clumpy" that's why the overall rating of 4. To alleviate that problem, I mix it with Diatomaceous earth. It's good for a natural bug control and makes the Green Max flow smoothly through the spreader without clumps.



Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Cons can be clumpy as draws on moisture

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **5** **0**

Reply



Not a typical Scotts product

September 28, 2012

billhocker Madison, AL, USA

Age: 65 or over **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 8 to 15 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

Went to apply Green Max several weeks ago. After filling the spreader and doing the front lawn I noticed that no very little fertilizer was being applied. It looks like Green Max absorbed moisture as soon as exposed to air and ended up clogging the spreader. I do not recommend this product!!!! Ended up disposing the remainder of Green Max.

Quality



Value



Cons Messy, Didn't work as expected, Difficult to use, absorbs moisture

No, I do not recommend this product.

Response from scotts Wendy, Consumer Services

October 3, 2012

We are so sorry to hear that you have had a problem. Please contact us so we can discuss a refund.

helpful **5** **0**

Reply



Overall, a good product to use

September 28, 2012

romb66 Dallas, TX, USA

Age: 45 to 54 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 4 to 7 years **Experience:** Expert

How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

I was happy with this fertilizer but it did not make my grass turn as green as I had hoped or read from the other reviews. Still, not a bad product to use.

Quality



Value



Pros Value, Easy to Use

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful 3 0

Reply



Whoa it made my green lawn even greener,

September 27, 2012

Anonymous Mineola, NY, USA

Age: 45 to 54 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 8 to 15 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

Whoa it made my green lawn even greener, I had a great experience with this product which I applied on two different occasions. Needed to water in well, but the added Iron and Minerals enhanced the Lawns ability to maintain moisture and Green color. I had a very good experience, My neighbors think my lawn looks like a well groomed carpet .

Quality



Value



Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful 4 0

Reply



Unbelievable!

September 27, 2012

Anonymous USA

Age: 65 or over **Gender:** Female **Gardening Experience:** 8 to 15 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

I am so happy to fida a product that will green up a Texas yard in the summer. Our weather is so hot and dry from May through October that just keeping a lawn alive is a major undertaking. Green Max not only kept it alive but actually made it green and lush. There's no doubt that we have the greenest lawn in the area. My neighbors all think I have some high priced lawn service and they are amazed when I tell them about GREEN MAX!

Quality



Value



Thanks for GREAT product.

Linda

Pros Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective, rapid green

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful 4 0

Reply



This product is the only one on the market that combinesthe advantages of balanced N,P,K with high Iron

September 27, 2012

Osgood Meridian, ID, USA

Age: 65 or over **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 30 or more years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: 4-5 times

I live in an area with high calcium in the soil. The calcium in turn makes soil iron unavailable to the grass and causes it to be yellow in many areas. The 5.75 % iron in this product counteracts this soil problem and brings the grass back to a healthy green.

Quality



Value



Pros Value, Quality, Good Directions, Effective, high iron

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **4** **0**

Reply



Only use this if you want the GREENEST lawn in your neighborhood.

September 27, 2012

jlantz Roxborough, Colorado

Age: 45 to 54 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 30 or more years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

This is good stuff, it really works as advertised, and greens up a lawn like nothing else. I use Scotts Turfbuilder with weed control in the Spring, as well as Scotts Winterguard in the late Fall. However, in between, if you want a lush, rich, GREEN lawn, imo, this is what to use all Summer long, for a great looking yard that can stand up to the heat. Just be sure to let your grass grow a bit longer, to shade itself, during the extreme heat of Summer. Again, this product works as advertised, and I'd recommend it to anyone. Why? Because it's what I use, and yes, my yard is the nicest in the neighborhood, people tell me so, all the time. Take care.

Quality



Value



Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **4** **0**

Reply

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- Contains triple the iron for fast, extreme greening.*
- Kid and pet friendly.
- Water Smart® improves lawn's ability to absorb water and nutrients.

* Compared to regular fertilizers when applied at recommended rates.

Available sizes:

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48 out of 75 (64%) reviewers recommend this product.

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Does not green the grass like it says

June 21, 2013

Berry Oakland tennessee

Age: 45 to 54 **Gender:** Female **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

I used it on my yard last sunday and it was watered in good and I applies it like the instructions. My yard looks no different than my neighbors who do nothing and their yard is light green. Also now I have the seed heads popping up everywhere and it looks awful. I love scotts products but not this one!

Pros Easy to Use

Cons Didn't work as expected

No, I do not recommend this product.

Response from scotts Christin, Consumer Service

June 27, 2013

I am sorry that you did not receive the fertilizer response that you expected from Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer plus 5.17% Iron. To get the most out of any fertilizer, we recommend that you maintain your lawn with adequate water and regular feedings. If repeated applications of fertilizer fail to green the lawn, we recommend that you purchase a soil test kit to check the soil pH. Soil pH should be between 5.5 - 7.5 for lawns. If it is outside this range, add lime (to raise pH) or soil sulfur (to lower pH) at least once a year in spring or fall. A pH imbalance will prevent the lawn from absorbing fertilizer, even

if you apply heavily.

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Reply

Posted by **RollDog**

on June 22, 2013

You have to give it time to work. I prefer TurfBuilder anyway.

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A Definite Green-Up

June 20, 2013

wiredawg Kathleen, GA, USA

Age: 35 to 44 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 1 to 3 years **Experience:** Intermediate/Average

How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: 2-3 times

Will definitely be a return customer for this product. Talk about greening my grass, got all my neighbors talking and 2 out of 5 use a "lawn service". I have bermuda grass, live in the middle Georgia area (clay-soil type). Applied on 1 Jun 2013 and it's doing it's job. Now, If I could just get rid on all my crab-grass and dallisgrass I would be just right... :)

Quality



Value



Pros Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **6**

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Reply

Posted by **Berry**

on June 23, 2013

use Image on crabgrass and nutgrass. Works great!

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Product was very easy to apply

June 17, 2013

Marlon45 Richmond, TX, USA

Age: 45 to 54 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 1 to 3 years **Experience:** Intermediate/Average

How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time
How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

Since this was the 3rd product I used over the course of 3 years, I asked the experts about the setting for my spreader, Instead of using that setting I reduced it to #3 & did not over feed, afterwards I cleaned up all excessive fertilizer from drive & sidewalk to ensure none would cause stains & Now my lawn is beautiful once again, No Burn, entire lawn evenly deep rich color, Thanks for an excellent product.

Quality



Value



Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **6**

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Reply



Driveway and sidewalks are all permanently stained- Beware!

June 11, 2013

rsluss Naples, FL, USA

Top 25 contributor

Age: 35 to 44 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years **Experience:** Expert

How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

I received this product in the spring at my local Lowes during a promo in which you got it for free if you purchased Weed and Feed for Southern Lawns. I dont usually use it, but have enjoyed other Scotts products so I gave it a shot. Like many other reviewers, almost immediately after spreading this on my southern lawn the overspread stained my driveway, and perimeter home walkways, which are all concrete. I have tried high pressure washing, concrete cleaners, bleaches and rust removers all to no avail. I am also starting to get the heat from our community HOA and ACC over how unsightly it is, which could lean to fines. This experience will make me question purchasing Scotts lawn care products ever again, which is a shame because I have enjoyed the brand for years. If you choose to use it, do so on a very dry day and immediately clear it off of surfaces using a high speed blower, not water.

Quality



Value



Cons Messy, poor directions and unclear warnings

No, I do not recommend this product.

Response from scotts Christin, *Consumer Service*

June 25, 2013

We are sorry to hear about the staining to your concrete or pavers that occurred while using Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer. The iron in Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer may stain. The quicker a stain removal process is begun, the more effective the process will be. Sunlight and water will help to fade the iron stains from the product on outdoor surfaces, but will not completely remove them. Before using any commercial cleaning products to remove stains, test the product on a small area to see if the product will fade or damage the stained surface.

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helpful **9**

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Reply

Posted by **Squiddly**

on June 22, 2013

From the Scott's website:

How to Use

1. Fill and Set Spreader
2. Apply evenly to a wet or dry lawn
3. Clean Up - Sweeping product from hard surfaces onto the lawn keeps product on the grass and prevents staining.

Seems pretty clear to me; same instructions for Scott's Turf Builder +2 with Iron. How does the grass look?

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Nice Product

June 9, 2013

PhilHor Michigan

Top 25 contributor

Age: 35 to 44 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 1 to 3 years **Experience:** Intermediate/Average
How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time
How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

I used this product and I'm happy with it....Followed the directions and didn't have any problems what so ever with stains. I used a blower to blow off any remaining fertilizer on my driveway.I cant believe there are so many comments about staining when I had none....

Quality



Value



Pros Quality, Easy to Use

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful 11 1

Reply



Fantastic product

June 9, 2013

gregmcc17 Coppell, TX, USA

Age: 25 to 34 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 1 to 3 years **Experience:** Beginner
How many days within the past 12 months: 2-3 times
How many times purchased in the past: 2-3 times

This is a great product that really did work within days of application. Yes, this product produces rust stains as stated by others but can be avoided if you sweep/blow the fertilizer off of any non-grassed surface. Again, if you don't want the rust stains, you really need to make sure you sweep! As long as you do this, you will be very pleased with your lawn.

Quality



Value



Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Cons rust stains but they can be avoided as i stated

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful 7 0

Reply



Very pleased

June 3, 2013

Chicot72 Lewisville, TX, USA

Age: 65 or over **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 30 or more years **Experience:** Expert

How many days within the past 12 months: 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: 2-3 times

This is the second time I have used this product and I am very pleased. My yard looks great. I applied the fertilizer to a dry lawn and then used my leaf blower to blow off my driveway and sidewalks and have had no problem with iron stains.

Quality



Value



Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **5** **0**

Reply



READ AND FOLLOW DIRECTIONS FIRST

June 1, 2013

lonestarniner Dallas, TX, USA

Age: 35 to 44 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 4 to 7 years **Experience:** Expert

How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

The product is as advertised however if you DO NOT blow or sweep away each granule your cement areas will be damage beyond repair. I will be trying a new method this weekend to remove all of the rust stains. I've tried power washing it to no avail so now I will have to buy a rust remover and hope that it doesnt leak into my lawn and cause my lush green grass to turn brown.

Quality



Value



Not worth the trouble, next round I'll go organic.

Pros Value, Easy to Use, Quality, Effective

Cons Messy, severe staining to occur if used improperly, bad directions

No, I do not recommend this product.

helpful **4** **2**

Reply



nice and green!

May 29, 2013

gavenb Olive Branch, MS, USA

Age: 25 to 34 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 4 to 7 years **Experience:** Beginner

How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

i have a brushed small aggregate driveway, so staining wasn't an issue. It worked great for me. i used the edgeguard too. I'd say it was a win for me. helped repair my junk lawn.

Quality



Value

Pros Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective



Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful 4 0

Reply



unhappy and sorry I used this product

May 15, 2013

springTx Spring, TX, USA

Top 100 contributor

Age: 45 to 54 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time

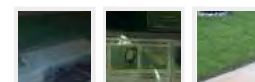
How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

Although the instructions say the grass can be wet or dry, there is nothing mentioned about the horrible rust staining that this product causes to wet surfaces other than grass. I spread Green Max during a light rain. I tried to sweep off the driveway and such but the damage was done. I have horrible rust stains on my driveway, sidewalk, landscape rocks, house siding, and pool deck. I have spent several hours and dollars trying different methods to remove the stains. The stains have not faded at all. Not the smallest bit. Even if my lawn were to turn into the greenest green, nobody would notice it due to the ugly rust stains covering everything. The rust stains even cover the street and gutters from where the rain washed it away. It's a good, permanent reminder of where the runoff goes.

Quality



Value



Cons Messy, Problem with label, horrible rust stains

No, I do not recommend this product.

Response from scotts Jeremy, Consumer Services

May 19, 2013

We are sorry to hear about the staining to your concrete or pavers that occurred while using Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer. The iron in Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer may stain. The quicker a stain removal process is begun, the more effective the process will be. Sunlight and water will help to fade the iron stains from the product on outdoor surfaces, but will not completely remove them. Before using any commercial cleaning products to remove stains, test the product on a small area to see if the product will fade or damage the stained surface.

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Reply



Stains,stains and more stains

May 9, 2013

BuffyD Killeen, texas

Top 25 contributor

Age: 35 to 44 **Gender:** Female **Gardening Experience:** 8 to 15 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

Quality

If you use this you will get a great lawn, but you will have so many stains on your concrete ,(as if you use Ironite). I sweep the concrete (driveway and sidewalk) very ,very well. I had read the reviews and was aware of the staining problems, but like they say hard head makes a soft..... I thought that if I sweep well ,it would be fine. Nope, I applied it before rain and the granules from the lawn ran onto the driveway and sidewalk. I have to buy a rust remover to get rid of all the stains.

Value

Value

Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Effective

Cons Messy, will stain any contact with concrete

No, I do not recommend this product.

Response from scotts Jeremy, Consumer Service

May 19, 2013

We are sorry to hear about the staining that has occurred while using Scotts Bonus S MAX Southern Weed & Feed And Fire Ant Killer. The more quickly a stain can be removed, the more effective the process will be.

We strongly recommend that before using any commercial cleaning products to remove stains, test the product on a small area to see if the product will fade or damage the stained surface. Note that sealed or colored concrete or pavers may experience lifting of the sealant or color with many cleaning products.

helpful 3

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Reply



Greens lawn, difficult to spread

May 3, 2013

Tbailey2434 Wetumpka, AL

Age: 35 to 44 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

The product worked well on my lawn, but was so amazingly hygroscopic that it pulled moisture from the air and clumped as soon as I put it in the spreader. The bag was solid, like a vacuum-packed brick of coffee when I purchased it; opening it, it poured well into the spreader.

Quality

Quality

Value

Value

Then the humidity of Alabama took hold, and it clumped. Every three feet or so, I ended up having to stir the fertilizer with a stick so that it would feed. While I'm sure the water-absorbing/retaining properties are intentional, they work a tad too well for anyone in the Deep South, or any other naturally humid clime.

I am satisfied with the product, but I cannot give it a higher or recommended rating because it was terribly difficult to apply. It greened up the lawn, where I was able to apply it, though the clumping means I have streaks of GREEN grass interspersed with thatchy-brushy looking grass that will take longer to green up. While I have used many Scotts products in the past and readily recommended them, I won't be purchasing this product again.

Pros Quality, Effective

Cons Didn't work as expected, Difficult to use, clumps in the slightest humidity, costly

No, I do not recommend this product.

Response from scotts Wendy, Consumer Services

May 12, 2013

So sorry to hear that you had such problems with the humidity. We do a lot to prevent our lawn food products from clumping. We are glad you are otherwise happy with the product, but sorry this didn't work out.

helpful 4 3

Reply



Do Not Use if you have concrete anywhere your lawn

May 1, 2013

Chief462 Schererville, IN, USA **Top 50 contributor**

Age: 35 to 44 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years **Experience:** Expert

How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

Purchased this year in March instead of my usual Turf Builder. The bag was labled as kid friendly which i liked but what was needed was a warning as big that states that you cannot get any on the concrete. On the back it states that you should sweep up excess, it should state that brooming may not be sufficient, I applied mine with a Scotts edguard brocast spreader and then swept up what thought was the rest. It rained over night and when I went out it looked like apainting of a meteor shower on my driveway. It also does not state that a pressure washer will not get it up, nor store bought concrete cleaner (CLR for driveways). I then went on the website and saw the recommendation for the Rust store product. Bought two tubs at \$22 each and it removed the comet tails but there is still small dots so I have purchased 5 more. After all said and done I will have spent over \$150 to repair the driveway and sidewalk. My recommendation stick to the regular turf builder if on the four bag cycle like I am.

Quality



Value



Cons Messy, Problem with label, destroys concrete

No, I do not recommend this product.

Response from scotts *Jeremy, Consumer Services*

May 9, 2013

We are sorry that you found the Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer label misleading. Scotts makes every effort to provide clear and accurate information on every product label. We are also sorry to hear about the staining of your concrete that occurred while using Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer. The iron in Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer may stain. The quicker a stain removal process is begun, the more effective the process will be. Sunlight and water will help to fade the iron stains from the product on outdoor surfaces, but will not completely remove them. Before using any commercial cleaning products to remove stains, test the product on a small area to see if the product will fade or damage the stained surface.

We want you to be confident in our products. For this reason, we offer a product guarantee to our consumers. At your earliest convenience please contact us to see what can be done. You may visit our contact page by clicking on the following link <http://tinyurl.com/7ag7a3n>

helpful 5 3

Reply



Buyer Beware!

April 29, 2013

Greenleaves Jacksonville, FL **Top 100 contributor**

Age: 65 or over **Gender:** Female **Gardening Experience:** 30 or more years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

I was set to purchase my second bag of Max Green when I read the reviews. Previous reviewers are correct. MAX GREEN GRANULES WILL

Quality



RUST ANY CONCRETE STRUCTURE (driveway, patio, frontwalk, sidewalk, statuary). A green lawn for seven weeks is not worth permanent rust stains on concrete. I'm quite angry with Scotts for placing a destructive product on the market.

Value



Pros Effective

Cons Didn't work as expected, Problem with label, destructive to concrete structures

No, I do not recommend this product.

Response from scotts *Jeremy, Consumer Services*

May 9, 2013

We are sorry that you found the Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer label misleading. Scotts makes every effort to provide clear and accurate information on every product label. This product does contain iron, which may cause staining if used on surfaces other than the lawn. To prevent this kind of staining we suggest carefully sweeping any particles that did not end up on the lawn back into the lawn area before watering.

helpful 6

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Reply



Becarefull, it will stain your driveway

April 22, 2013

Jorgeort San Antonio, TX, USA

Age: 25 to 34

Gender: Male

Gardening Experience: 1 to 3 years

Experience: Beginner

How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

I read some of the reviews before using this product so I spent about 20 mins. cleaning my sidewalk and driveway to avoid staining. But I still got some stains, not a lot but quite a few. Last year I used about 4 to 6 different Scott's products and they all worked great, my lawn was thick and green and no stains. What I notice is that the other Scott's products have a white/gray color but this Green Max has a red/orange color. I think that I will go back to using the Scott's products that I used last year and avoid those stains. To those people that think this product didn't stain your driveway go back and check the edges you'll find some stains.

Quality



Value



Cons Messy, stains

No, I do not recommend this product.

Response from scotts *Wendy, Consumer Services*

April 29, 2013

You are correct, it is important to make certain that all of this product is cleaned off the surfaces of your sidewalk or driveway before you water the area. If you have a stain, some rust removal products will work to remove them. Anyone who has this problem and needs suggestions of products should contact us.

helpful 6

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Reply



Took a little longer than three (3) days to really turn deep green

March 31, 2013

Joese Pasadena, CA, USA

Age: 55 to 64 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 4 to 7 years **Experience:** Intermediate/Average

How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

The 10X max product worked very well. My lawn is deep green and even deep green throughout. I applied 10X to a dry lawn. I swept the outline area well and avoided all staining. This product is for project lovers, so if you don't want to really sweep well and follow directions this is not for you. The deep green took six days to just over a week to fully set in.

Quality



Value



Pros Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective, sweeps up easily while dry

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **8** **0**

Reply



This product stains Horribly!

November 24, 2012

DavidPet88 Temecula, CA, USA

Age: 55 to 64 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 30 or more years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

I purchased Green Max for the first time and read all of the instructions very carefully. I did sweep the pellets off of my concrete as directed, but REALLY regret not making 100% absolutely sure that EVERY pellet, thrown from my "whirly" type spreader was removed from any concrete or block work. Each missed pellet leaves a dark "rust" colored stain when it dissolves which DOES NOT wash off even with a power washer. My concrete looks horrible! The product warning needs to be much more specific as to the perils of missing ANY of the pellets and that the stains are permanent!

Quality

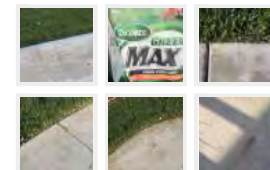


Value



Cons Problem with label, permanent stains

No, I do not recommend this product.



Response from scotts Lee Ann, Consumer Service

November 26, 2012

We're sorry to hear about your experience with the Scotts Green Max. Your comments have been reported to our Marketing Team for review. Unfortunately, when the granules are not removed from hard surfaces staining may occur. Check with your local hardware store for cleaning products that will remove iron and that are safe for your concrete surface. Make sure to research the product and test the application before using. Please contact us at the following link for more information and assistance with our product guarantee. <http://tinyurl.com/7ag7a3n>

helpful **3** **7**

Reply



Did not cover anywhere 10,000 sq. feet as claimed.

November 4, 2012

RetiredGovtSlug

Age: 35 to 44 **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years **Experience:** Expert

How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

I purchased two products, Green MAX Lawn Fertilizer and the Turf Builder Classic Drop Spreader in order to rid myself of my professional lawn service. The large MAX bag provided a setting of 7 for the drop spreader and advised that I could expect it to cover 10,000 sq. feet. In reality, the spreader ran dry at about the half way point. I doubled checked and confirmed that all settings were correct. At \$40 a bag, this is just too expensive to squander and I am returning the empty bag and the spreader to Home Depot (who usually will refund almost anything...). I haven't seen anything regarding customer service from Scotts so I will go with the Home Depot route.

Quality



Value



Cons Didn't work as expected, Problem with label, lack of coverage

No, I do not recommend this product.

Response from scotts Lee Ann, *Consumer Service*

November 5, 2012

We're sorry to hear about your experience with the Scotts Classic Drop Spreader and the Scott Green Max Lawn Fertilizer. There are a few things that can affect the flow rate. Did you check the calibration of the spreader before using it? Some spreaders can go out of calibration over time and should be check periodically or when you notice a problem. Did you overlap properly? With drop spreaders, it is important to line up your wheel marks. Were you walking an average pace? When applying fertilizer the walking pace should be about 20 feet every 5 seconds. Walking too slowly will drop more fertilizer in less area. If none of these situations apply, then I'm as perplexed as you. We do offer a product guarantee. If you would like to discuss this problem or our product guarantee with us please use the following link. <http://tinyurl.com/7ag7a3n>

helpful **2** **7**

Reply



Dark Green Grass Fast!

October 2, 2012

glewandowski Fairfax, VA, USA

Age: 45 to 54 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: 4-5 times

I Have been using Scotts products for over 25 years. I love Green Max for the dark rich green color it makes my lawn. The extra Iron in the product does the trick! Without too much Nitrogen, that will make the lawn grow faster. It is foolproof, if you follow the instructions. My neighbors always compliment my Lawn, and often ask what I use to get it so Green & Lush. I simply tell them Scotts!

Quality



Value



Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective, darkest green fast!

Cons none



Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **6** **0**

Reply

Posted by **Vvs123**

on April 11, 2013

Hi

I've been trying to make lawn look nice with using scotts but I have not succeeded. I like your lawn and that's how I want my lawn to be. Can you tell me how you got your lawn to look that way.

Thank you

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This product worked great for me.

October 1, 2012

dgoins Owings Mills, MD, USA

Age: 65 or over **Gender:** Female **Gardening Experience:** 4 to 7 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: 2-3 times

Having used several different fertilizers for the last couple of years, I found Scotts Green Max Fertilizer the best. My grass is truly green; in fact it looks better than my neighbor's grass--this neighbor uses a lawn service.

With the fantastic results I see, I highly recommend this product. As a retired teacher I always rated students fairly--and I have followed suit with this fertilizer.

Quality



Value



Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful 7 1

Reply



Works like magic

October 1, 2012

fkraut Chicago, IL, USA

Age: 55 to 64 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 30 or more years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

My neighbor and I are in a bit competitive with our lawns; we water and cut the grass equally. During the extreme heat our lawns showed the distress. I applied Green Max and within days my lawn greened up while his stayed brown.

Quality



Value



Pros Easy to Use

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful 8 1

Reply



Results speak for themselves

September 30, 2012

scottymo Atlanta, GA, USA

Age: 35 to 44 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** 4-5 times

How many times purchased in the past: 6-10 times

Green Max works exactly as advertised. I have Tiffway 419 and this product gives my lawn a very rich dark green color everytime. I've used straight nitrogen in summer months but it can't compare to the color I get using Green Max. I've used Scott's products for years and never had it clump in spreader, make sure to sweep off concrete or it will stain.

Quality



Value



Pros Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **5** **0**

Reply



This product has great results

September 29, 2012

DeePer Texas, USA

Age: 45 to 54 **Gender:** Female **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years **Experience:** Expert

How many days within the past 12 months: 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: More than 10 times

I've recently moved into a new home and the yard was new sod. It had a lot of weeds, and it was struggling, as it was early July when we moved in. It was burnt in a lot of places, and the weeds were bad. First I used Scotts Turf Control with Weed and Feed. Watered it very heavily...\$267 water bill the first month!!

Then I followed up, after 2 months, with Scotts Green Max. There are new homes all around me and the neighbors are asking how my lawn looks so good in such a short amount of time. It greened up, and now is weed free, and very healthy. Water bill this last month was \$13!!!! I use ONLY Scott's products on my yard. I will not use anything else.

Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **9** **0**

Reply



One Awesome Product

September 28, 2012

Edenzgarden Oklahoma

Top 50 contributor

Gender: Female **Gardening Experience:** 1 to 3 years

How many days within the past 12 months: 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: 2-3 times

This is one product that is worth the money especially if you live in drought susceptible places. I didn't use it this year thinking we wouldn't be going through the drought like last year.... boy was I wrong! I see

Quality



Value

such a difference from last year. I decided just to fertilize more regularly instead..my grass is thicker but not greener. It is the best product I know of that retains moisture and keeps your lawn healthy. I will be using this yearly from now on. I never had a problem with staining. But as with all iron containing fertilizers, they do say take precautions. I will admit it is "clumpy" that's why the overall rating of 4. To alleviate that problem, I mix it with Diatomaceous earth. It's good for a natural bug control and makes the Green Max flow smoothly through the spreader without clumps.



Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Cons can be clumpy as draws on moisture

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **5** **0**

Reply



Not a typical Scotts product

September 28, 2012

billhocker Madison, AL, USA

Age: 65 or over **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 8 to 15 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

Went to apply Green Max several weeks ago. After filling the spreader and doing the front lawn I noticed that no very little fertilizer was being applied. It looks like Green Max absorbed moisture as soon as exposed to air and ended up clogging the spreader. I do not recommend this product!!!! Ended up disposing the remainder of Green Max.

Quality



Value



Cons Messy, Didn't work as expected, Difficult to use, absorbs moisture

No, I do not recommend this product.

Response from scotts Wendy, Consumer Services

October 3, 2012

We are so sorry to hear that you have had a problem. Please contact us so we can discuss a refund.

helpful **5** **0**

Reply



Overall, a good product to use

September 28, 2012

romb66 Dallas, TX, USA

Age: 45 to 54 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 4 to 7 years **Experience:** Expert

How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

I was happy with this fertilizer but it did not make my grass turn as green as I had hoped or read from the other reviews. Still, not a bad product to use.

Quality



Value



Pros Value, Easy to Use

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful 3 0

Reply



Whoa it made my green lawn even greener,

September 27, 2012

Anonymous Mineola, NY, USA

Age: 45 to 54 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 8 to 15 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

Whoa it made my green lawn even greener, I had a great experience with this product which I applied on two different occasions. Needed to water in well, but the added Iron and Minerals enhanced the Lawns ability to maintain moisture and Green color. I had a very good experience, My neighbors think my lawn looks like a well groomed carpet .

Quality



Value



Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful 4 0

Reply



Unbelievable!

September 27, 2012

Anonymous USA

Age: 65 or over **Gender:** Female **Gardening Experience:** 8 to 15 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

I am so happy to fida a product that will green up a Texas yard in the summer. Our weather is so hot and dry from May through October that just keeping a lawn alive is a major undertaking. Green Max not only kept it alive but actually made it green and lush. There's no doubt that we have the greenest lawn in the area. My neighbors all think I have some high priced lawn service and they are amazed when I tell them about GREEN MAX!

Quality



Value



Thanks for GREAT product.

Linda

Pros Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective, rapid green

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful 4 0

Reply



This product is the only one on the market that combinesthe advantages of balanced N,P,K with high Iron

September 27, 2012

Osgood Meridian, ID, USA

Age: 65 or over **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 30 or more years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: 4-5 times

I live in an area with high calcium in the soil. The calcium in turn makes soil iron unavailable to the grass and causes it to be yellow in many areas. The 5.75 % iron in this product counteracts this soil problem and brings the grass back to a healthy green.

Quality



Value



Pros Value, Quality, Good Directions, Effective, high iron

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **4** **0**

Reply



Only use this if you want the GREENEST lawn in your neighborhood.

September 27, 2012

jlantz Roxborough, Colorado

Age: 45 to 54 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 30 or more years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

This is good stuff, it really works as advertised, and greens up a lawn like nothing else. I use Scotts Turfbuilder with weed control in the Spring, as well as Scotts Winterguard in the late Fall. However, in between, if you want a lush, rich, GREEN lawn, imo, this is what to use all Summer long, for a great looking yard that can stand up to the heat. Just be sure to let your grass grow a bit longer, to shade itself, during the extreme heat of Summer. Again, this product works as advertised, and I'd recommend it to anyone. Why? Because it's what I use, and yes, my yard is the nicest in the neighborhood, people tell me so, all the time. Take care.

Quality



Value



Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **4** **0**

Reply

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Beautiful green grass

September 27, 2012

Toms Columbus, OH, USA

Age: 65 or over

Gender: Female

Gardening Experience: 8 to 15 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average

How many days within the past 12 months: 4-5 times

How many times purchased in the past: 4-5 times

I used Scott's Green Max for the first time last year on one half of my lawn. Wow! what a difference when comparing the section of the lawn that I did not treat! I now begin the summer by applying this product on my entire lawn. I apply it twice during the summer, within six week intervals. It does yield a rich lush green color lawn. I will continue to use this product every summer.

Quality

★★★★★

Value

★★★★★

Pros Value, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective, consistent

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful 3

0

Reply

★★★★★

Excellent product but watch out for concrete

September 27, 2012

jeffgen Missouri, USA

Top 250 contributor

Age: 45 to 54 Gender: Male Gardening Experience: 15 to 30 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average How many days within the past 12 months: 6-10 times

How many times purchased in the past: More than 10 times

This product works well but does stain concrete with a rust color. I haven't had this problem with any other Scotts product until this one.

Pros Effective

Cons Problem with label

Quality



Value



No, I do not recommend this product.

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Best fretilizer ever

September 27, 2012

Brantley USA

Age: 65 or over Gender: Female Gardening Experience: 15 to 30 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: 2-3 times

I recently purchased a bag of Green Max fertiliaer and have been delighted with the results. In only a couple of days my grass was a vibrant green and really lush. This is the first fertilizer I have found that can do this in the heat of Texas summers. We have the best looking grass in the neighborhood.

THANKS SCOTTS!!

Pros Quality, Easy to Use, Effective, quick green

Cons a little pricey

Quality



Value



Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful 4

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Excellent

September 27, 2012

palmer Pembroke Pines, FL, USA

Age: 65 or over Gender: Male Gardening Experience: 15 to 30 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average How many days within the past 12 months: 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: 4-5 times

The envy of my neighbors when my St Augustine gets this treat twice a year.

Pros Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective, covers very well even on low spreder settings

Cons must be rinsed or blown off sidewalks or walkways.

Quality



Value



Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **3**

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Reply



Great Fertilizer

September 27, 2012

EdAlg Northern Colorado

Age: 65 or over **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 30 or more years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: 2-3 times

Scotts Green Max has worked very well for me. Northern Colorado is known for it's dry climate and hot summers. This spells trouble for our lawns. I've used several of "Colorado's own" fertilizer with mixed results. I've applied Scotts Green Max twice this summer and I have to say our lawn has never looked better. The high iron content has made all the difference. Green Max spreads easily.

Quality



Value



Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **4**

0

Reply



Great price for what you get

September 27, 2012

Ryan Monroe, Ga

Age: 35 to 44 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 4 to 7 years **Experience:** Intermediate/Average

How many days within the past 12 months: 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

Awesome for a quick green after drought. Worked great on my bermuda!

Quality



Value



Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **3**

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Reply



OUTSTANDING PRODUCT

September 27, 2012

FLINTSTONE DUMFRIES, VA

Age: 45 to 54 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 8 to 15 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

I was VERY pessimistic about using this product. I thought it was just another product CLAIMING to make your lawn green. But I was SURPRISINGLY impressed with the results. Within several days, I started to see a HUGE change in the appearance of my lawn. Unfortunately, I got TOO happy with the results and put too much in a couple of trouble areas. Unfortunately, it burned that grass. So be careful with going overboard with this product. Overall, I am EXTREMELY satisfied with this product!

Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

helpful 4 0

Reply



Fast results

September 5, 2012

markmc

Age: 45 to 54 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

Applied MAX on 8/25 knowing we were having Labor Day visitors. My neighbors grass was the exact same color as mine prior to application. Within 5 days, the grass was noticeably greener in comparison to the neighboring yard. Had a few comments this past weekend about the beautiful dark green color of the grass.

Quality



Value



I used half the amount and criss-cross applied it. Used the blower to remove any product from cement following use. Had no iron stains.

I did have a very very slight problem with clumping.

If you have weeds, this will not only give the grass a boost, it will also give the weeds a boost. I had a few small weeds and they took off. I treated them and have been watching them wither.

Curious to know if a weed control could be added to this product.

Pros Quality, Easy to Use, Effective, fast results

Cons none to mention.

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful 4 0

Reply



Review of Product Application...Not Results

August 19, 2012

LScottC Atlanta, GA, USA

Age: 45 to 54 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

Similar to others, I encountered a fertilizer consistency that I never experienced before...I poured it in my spreader, set my opening per instructions, and starting pushing...only nothing was coming out. Upon further inspection, I found that the product had the consistency of wet sand, and even after I opened the spreader opening all the way, nothing was coming out. I have never seen such a gummy substance. I figured that somehow moisture had gotten in the bag (which was unopened), so I left it sitting in the spreader in the sun for several hours hoping that it would dry out. Nope, no change in the consistency. I finally got a small hand spreader and

Quality



Value



broadcast small amounts while shaking vigorously. I am afraid that the distribution will be spotty, but it has not been long enough to see any results.

Cons Messy, Difficult to use

No, I do not recommend this product.

Response from scotts *Jeremy, Consumer Service*

August 21, 2012

We are sorry that you experienced problems while using Scotts Green Max Southern Lawn Fertilizer plus 5.17% Iron. While Scotts makes every effort to package products in such a way that they will not absorb water, occasionally, some water will get in. We recommend that you do not attempt to apply a wet product. Instead, contact us for disposal directions.

We want you to be confident in our products. For this reason, we offer a product guarantee to our consumers. At your earliest convenience please contact us to see what can be done. You may visit our contact page by clicking on the following link <http://tinyurl.com/7ag7a3n>

helpful **3**

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Reply



By far the best fertilizer on the market.

August 17, 2012

garrettabe Novi, MI, USA

Age: 25 to 34 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 8 to 15 years **Experience:** Expert

How many days within the past 12 months: 4-5 times

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

This is the best Lawn fertilizer I have ever used in the 12 years of doing my Home lawn. I am golf course superintendent so I know turf management. The product results I seen was outstanding. The green up I had in a few days I was impressed. Just make sure U sweep up any left on your sidewalk or driveway. the Iron will stain.

Quality



Value



Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective, the color

Yes, I recommend this product.



helpful **6**

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Reply



Max vs. Ironite

August 9, 2012

Wilson Canton, Michigan

Age: 45 to 54 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: 2-3 times

I have been a Scotts/Miracle grow user for many years. I always use Scotts/Miracle grow seed and fertilizer because you get what you pay for. The other leading brands do not produce the lush deep rooted lawns that Scotts consistently does. I'm on my second bag of the Max product and it already has passed the Ironite level of green that I did have. All

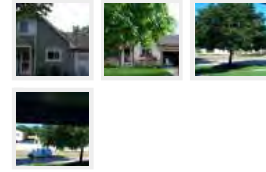
Quality



Value



my neighbors asked me within two weeks of using the product, how did my green lawn get even greener, I told them the right amount of water and Scotts Max. Although this year has been considered a drought by the experts, even in Michigan, the Great Lake state, the Max has allowed me to have a very green and healthy yard. Thanks Scotts/Miracle grow for the years of high quality products and especially for the Max. I'm done with Ironite for greening purposes. As with all iron based products, use a blower to get the excess off cement and back in your yard.



Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **6** **0**

Reply



Solid Green Experience

August 8, 2012

Anonymous Joliet, IL, USA

Age: 35 to 44 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years **Experience:** Expert

How many days within the past 12 months: 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

Fortunately, I had a great experience with this product which I applied on two different occasions. Needed to water in well, but the added Iron and Minerals enhanced the Lawns ability to maintain moisture and Green color. I had a very good experience, but please know, my lawn root system was in good condition and that aeration took place in March,

Quality



Value



Pros Easy to Use, Quality, Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **3** **0**

Reply



Amazing!

August 8, 2012

RESVORDOG Woodstock, GA (zone 7)

Age: 55 to 64 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 30 or more years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

Green MAX is the best lawn fertilizer I have ever used. My Bermuda lawn went from being thin and gray/green to a full, lush carpet of dark green. I admit I was skeptical at first, but it works! It takes a small amount so the bag lasts me an entire season for a 3000 sq ft lawn. Absolutely amazing. My HOA awarded me "yard of the month" for July!!

Quality



Value



Pros Quality, Easy to Use, Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful 3

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Reply



Stains Concrete . Keep away use away..far away

August 2, 2012

trumpet Hartford, WI, USA

Age: 45 to 54 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

3yr white \$8000 courtyard driveway,walks ,patio . Just resealed \$450 in May.Wisconsin Heat really took it out of the grass. finally got rain and some grass was coming back and it could really use help

Tues Rain, Wed applied /max and swept....(needed to sweep off every little granuel..just 1 would leave a bad stain especially with just a little water over spray Thursday today watered 7am.... Stains all over. Just sick totally unexpected Scotts user I decided to do the max green instead of the regular.. Big mistake Do not use near concrete at least 10

ft. or just use the std stuff...wife called Scotts..because I was MAD. Used "Super Iron Out"1 cup/gall of warm water... 3 hrs later most coming off..

Quality



Value



Pros im sure it will be great for the lawn

Cons Messy, Didn't work as expected, Difficult to use, do not use near concrete, scrub concrete, sweep /shop vac concrete

No, I do not recommend this product.

Response from scotts Lee Ann, Consumer Service

August 4, 2012

We're sorry to hear about your experience with Scotts Green Max. Iron stains on concrete can be very upsetting. We're glad to hear that the cleaning recommendation is working to remove the stain. If we can answer any additional questions please don't hesitate to contact us again.

<http://tinyurl.com/7aq7a3n>

helpful 3

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Reply

Posted by **johnsull**

on September 4, 2012

I wish I had read your comment before applying MAX. I did read the instructions about sweeping off the concrete, but I admit that I usually don't do that. Well, the rain came about 1/2 hour after the application and now the walkway in front of our house has horrible stains on it. I wish there was a way to upload the photos. I will be trying the iron out product for removal. The warning should be in bold letters on the front of the package. I don't know if I will use the product again. If the performance is exceptional I might use it with great care.

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Posted by **trumpet**

on August 12, 2012

Follow up reply. I Am 100% convinced and want Scotts to know. The Grass is very green and Max is a great product for grass. BUT DO NOT USE NEAR CONCRETE IS VERY IMPORTANT. 1 JUST 1 SMALL 1/64 AND LESS INCH OF A GRANUEL WILL STAIN... PERIOD. I appreciate the blowing recommendation and Scotts may want to add that to the lable. This product can be tracked from grass to concrete after cleaning and may be tracked to areas that were not near the application. I even had 4 spots 40 ft away from applied areas. I spent \$34 in chemicals and almost 6 hours spotting and cleaning. I have

used other products no problem but the extra iron needs extra care in application and can make bad spots.

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Posted by **RESVORDOG**

on August 9, 2012

Label states can stain concrete. Who uses a broom anymore? I use a blower to blow residual back on lawn and I have no stains, none. It pays to read the product label. Do yourself a favor and ditch the broom for a blower. It's a 21st century device I'm sure you will enjoy using.

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Extremely difficult to apply

July 15, 2012

Stewart Georgia

Age: 55 to 64 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

I have a Scotts spreader and had to set it at the widest spreader setting to get this product to disperse. Any Moisture and it clogs and binds up and will not spread evenly.

Not satisfied with that part of the application, now I expect uneven results in the yard.

Not happy with this product.

Quality



Value



Cons Didn't work as expected, Messy, Difficult to use

No, I do not recommend this product.

Response from scotts Lee Ann, Consumer Services

July 16, 2012

We're sorry to hear about your experience. We do not recommend applying a product that has clumps in it because it is difficult to spread and may not spread consistently. Clumps are caused when moisture gets in the bag. Please contact us using the following link for additional assistance.

<http://tinyurl.com/7ag7a3n>

helpful 1 0

Reply

Posted by **Edenzgarden**

on September 28, 2012

Top 50 contributor

Living in Oklahoma even.. yes I have seen this product attract moisture and begin to clump. I use Scott's drop spreader, add the the Green Max, and then I had about 1/2 cup Diatomaceous earth, mix it, so that this retards the clumping. It works great and passes through the spreader as it should. I also make sure that my spreader stays dry and I don't apply this to damp or moist grass. Diatomaceous earth can be found at most garden centers.

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Posted by **MrGreen101**

on July 22, 2012

Hello, Had the same problem...seems the humidity and the fine granular size clogs up the holes. Bought the rotary model and works fine...try it again with the new spreader. Peace:)

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Doesn't live up to the hype

July 13, 2012

dtillirson fayetteville , GA

Age: 55 to 64 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 30 or more years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

It clumps in the broadcast spreader. Literally bonds together and you have to break it up to get it spread.

The lawn simply does not turn green in three days.

Don't belive the hype!

Pros none i can think of

Cons Didn't work as expected, Difficult to use

No, I do not recommend this product.

Response from scotts Lee Ann, Consumer Service

July 16, 2012

We're sorry to hear about the difficulty you have with this product and we appreciate your taking the time to share your experience. Clumping is caused by moisture, either moisture in the bag or high humidity. Clumping will cause the product to not spread evenly which may be why you haven't gotten the results you expected. Please contact us using the following link for additional assistance.

<http://tinyurl.com/7aq7a3n>

helpful 0

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Reply



Works Great

July 13, 2012

JJDavis Fayetteville, AR, USA

Age: 25 to 34 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 1 to 3 years **Experience:** Beginner

How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

I applied this product in early July to a Bermuda lawn that was struggling from extreme heat and drought. After applying and watering for a couple of days, the lawn looks amazing. Grass is green and plush and looks better than lawns in the neighborhood that use professional service. Do be sure to get any excess off the drive or sidewalk because it will leave stains.

Quality



Value



Pros Quality, Easy to Use, Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful 1 0

Reply



FANTASTIC PRODUCT

July 12, 2012

kiheikid Southport, NC

Age: 65 or over Gender: Male Gardening Experience: 30 or more years

Experience: Intermediate/Average How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

I live in NC, within two blocks of the ocean. I had no clumps, and my cendipede grass is thick, green, filling in some bare spots and beautiful to look at. My neighbors are commenting on how great it looks. The only down side is that I have to mow it more often.

Quality



Value



Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful 1 1

Reply



Great Product

July 1, 2012

Anonymous shreveport,la

Age: 35 to 44 Gender: Male Gardening Experience: 1 to 3 years Experience: Intermediate/Average

How many days within the past 12 months: 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: 2-3 times

This is stuff has my lawn beautiful. No clumping in the bag and I live in Louisiana where humidity is high. But I dropped the bag on the ground a couple of times just in case. Now everyone in the neighborhood has been stopping to see what I use on my lawn. I have Bermuda grass so don't be afraid to try it!! Try not to get any on sidewalks or drive way because it will stain!!!

Quality



Value



Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful 2 0

Reply



Ecstatic

June 27, 2012

bsadowsky Port Washington, NY, USA

Top 100 contributor

Age: 65 or over Gender: Male Gardening Experience: 30 or more years Experience: Expert

How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

Now in my 36th gardening season and have always had burning problems with the second lawn fertilization because of high ambient temperatures. So I decided to try Green Max for the first time despite the price. There was no burning/browning issue and my lawn is not only green but also LUSH. Wow!

Quality



Value



Pros Quality, Effective, it not only greens it thickens!

Cons pricey

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **5** **0**

Reply



Product would not go thru spreader

June 22, 2012

Bobwell Wetumpka, AL, USA

Age: 65 or over **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 30 or more years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

When I poured the product into the spreader it looked like wet corn meal. A handful would pack like a snowball. The bag had no holes but apparently moisture had gotten to it. Needless to say I could not spread it even on a setting as high as 8.

Quality



Value



Cons Didn't work as expected, Difficult to use

No, I do not recommend this product.

Response from scotts Justin, *Consumer Services*

June 26, 2012

We're sorry to hear about your experience with the Scotts Green Max Southern Lawn Fertilizer. We apologize for the wet consistency of the granules. We recommend that you do not attempt to apply a wet product. Instead, dispose of it according to package directions. Your satisfaction is our primary concern and we offer a product guarantee. If you have any questions, please contact us. <http://tinyurl.com/6qwd44t>

helpful **2** **1**

Reply

Posted by **armymaninks**

on July 10, 2012

Its because the iron is mixed with molassis! Its how the micro-organisms digest the nutrients. It's always going to be somewhat moist, you just have to keep breaking up the clumps in the spreader and it will be fine. I would gladly go for breaking up clumps once in a while and have an awesome lawn. Then not, and having a lawn looking like a dried up wheat field!

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Posted by **Southerner**

on June 28, 2012

I live in North Carolina and I also had the same experience. Like wet sand and the bag was sealed so that moisture should not have been able to penetrate. Scotts needs to get this product off the market for states that are very humid in the summer. My local garden center had maybe 100 bags on display. They must all be bad. I have been a customer of Scotts for over 40 years and this is my first disappointment. Scotts....Tell you research lab to do some more testing....

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Definitely greens up a yellowing lawn

June 20, 2012

Sauer Inverness, FL

Age: 65 or over **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 30 or more years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

Significant improvement in lawn color in one week. No product clumping was observed when the bag was first opened. Appears to absorb moisture from humid air and a few agglomerates were found about one week after opening. I thought that I could use a leaf blower to remove spillage from hard surfaces, but iron staining did occur. Next time I will wash it off with water.

Quality



Value



Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Cons stains hard surfaces if not completely removed

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful 1

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Reply



TO THE MAX!!!! GREEN THAT IS!!!

June 18, 2012

cemery GLENNWOOD IL,USA

Age: 45 to 54 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 8 to 15 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: 2-3 times

IT DOES WHAT IT SAYS TO THE MAX. I APPLIED SCOTTS GREEN MAX TO MY LAWN AND WITHIN 72 HOURS MY LAWN WAS DARKER RICH LOOKIN. ON A SCALE OF 1-10 START AT 10 WITH THIS SCOTTS GREEN MAX!!!! THANX SCOTTS!!!!

Quality



Value



Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful 2

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Reply



fail to notice much difference, surprisingly...

June 15, 2012

D Pittsburgh, PA, USA

Age: 25 to 34 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 8 to 15 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: 2-3 times

I have used this product the past 2 years on a well maintained lawn...i have noticed no difference over the normal turfbuilder fert. which costs much less.

Quality



Value



extreme greening guaranteed?????

Pros Easy to Use, Good Directions

Cons expensive, nothing to get excited about

No, I do not recommend this product.

helpful 0

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Reply



Incredible Green! But.....

June 9, 2012

Anonymous Savannah, TN 38372, USA

Age: 35 to 44 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: 2-3 times

I love the green. I really do love the way it makes my yard look but I am very disappointed in it because of the way it clumps. It took me over 30 minutes to spread 2 small bags because it clumped so bad. I thought my local home supply store just got a bad batch but even a large discount store in my area had bags that from the outside seemed to be wet inside. I assume it is a humidity problem in my area. I have used this product before with great success. Please figure out how to make this spread easier and I will buy a lot of it. As of now I have to stick to Ironite even though it is way more expensive to use a combo of Ironite and Turf Builder.

Quality



Value



Pros Effective

Cons Didn't work as expected, Difficult to use

No, I do not recommend this product.

helpful 1

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Reply



Scotts "Green Max" is a Difference maker

June 8, 2012

Howle Southaven, MS, USA

Age: 55 to 64 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 4 to 7 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average

How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

My lawn was doing ok, but it looked liked it needed a little boost. So I put some Green Max on it and WOW, what a difference it made. Apparently my lawn needed a little iron and this did the trick. Three

Quality



Value

weeks later I was sending pictures to friends bragging about my lawn!
Good stuff!



Pros Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **3** **0**

Reply



The greenest grass imaginable

June 7, 2012

gretadol Wilmington, DE, USA

Age: 55 to 64 **Gender:** Female **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: 2-3 times

My yard was a show stopper last year. It was the envy of the neighborhood. I got so many compliments about how green my grass was. I just applied Max again this year and I know what results I will get again. So beautiful!

Quality



Value



Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **1** **0**

Reply



Great product!

June 6, 2012

JRSII52 Fortson, GA 31808, USA

Age: 25 to 34 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 4 to 7 years **Experience:** Intermediate/Average

How many days within the past 12 months: 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: 2-3 times

I have this product before & it does exactly as advertised! Feed my lawn & greened it more than it ever has!

Quality



Value



Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **3** **0**

Reply



Over promised and under delivered.

May 28, 2012

lawnpolice Watertown NY

Number one contributor

Age: 25 to 34 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 1 to 3 years **Experience:** Intermediate/Average

How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time
How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

i have held off from rating this product for a while to give it a chance before jumping to conclusions. I used this product on another section of my lawn that was separate from the main section. same sunlight same waterings, same everything. did not quite get as good of results that i got with the regular turf builder. will try again in a different section. i use scotts products exclusively but i am not totally satisfied with this product. not quite the results i was looking for. Used a knockoff store brand of lawn food next to this area of the lawn and it was night and day. this did not green as expected.

Quality



Value



Pros Easy to Use, Good Directions

Cons Didn't work as expected, will give it a try again

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **8**

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Reply



Amazing product

May 25, 2012

MCL68 Vacaville, CA, USA

Age: 35 to 44 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 8 to 15 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

First I want to state, I do not work for Scotts or it's affiliates. I've used Scotts lawn care products over the years and was curious to try the Scotts Green Max Lawn fertilizer. After reading the positive reviews, I pulled the trigger and purchased this product. I followed the directions to the letter and watered religiously twice a day. Only after 7 days of applying the Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer, my lawn is already dark green as promised, no exaggerating! I have used Ironite in the past, but never had the results this product produces in a short period of time. I plan to use Scotts Green Max Lawn Fertilizer again on the next lawn feeding. My neighbors are jealous of how healthy and green my lawn has become.

Quality



Value



Pros Quality, Easy to Use, Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **3**

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did green up but I question the price

May 18, 2012

hihilks Nebraska, USA

Top 100 contributor

Age: 45 to 54 Gender: Male Gardening Experience: 15 to 30 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average How many days within the past 12 months: This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

This product did a good job of greening up the yard. Did not see much of a difference compared to other products I've used in the past. Unless the price goes down I will go in a different direction in the future.

Pros Easy to Use

Cons price

Quality

★★★★☆

Value

★★★★☆

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful 3 0

Reply

★★★★★

greatest fertilizer ever

May 18, 2012

mkallok Pennsylvania, USA

Age: 45 to 54 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

I been using SCOTTS for many years, passed on from my father. Found MAX GREEN in a wrong location at my favorite home improvement center. Deciding to give it a shot instead of hunting for the scotts isle. MAX GREEN sure GREENED up my lawn more noticeable than any other product.

MAX GREEN does what it says. GREENS UP LAWNS

Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Effective

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **3** **0**

Reply



greenest lawn on the block

May 18, 2012

fud68 Powell ohio

Age: 55 to 64 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many times purchased in the past:** This is the first time

My yard usually looks ok. This spring I used Scotts Max Green with iron. Grass thickened and turned the darkest green it has ever been. Neighbors stop by and comment on it. Only complaint to Scotts is that it appears 10K bags of any of their product has been eliminated in favor of the 15k bags.

Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Cons wish there was a 10k bag

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful **1** **0**

Reply



lffy results

May 18, 2012

Butts Fort Wayne, IN, USA

Age: 55 to 64 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 30 or more years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** This is the first time

How many times purchased in the past: This is the first time

I bought this to try a new product. My yard has been a showcase for years and thought the extra price may give better results. The grass is green , but I see little difference between using it and turf builder.

Pros Easy to Use

Cons Didn't work as expected

Quality



Value



Quality



Value



Quality



Value



No, I do not recommend this product.

helpful 2 0

Reply



Scott's Max Green

May 18, 2012

jgides Cambria, Pennsylvania

Age: 55 to 64 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 30 or more years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: 2-3 times

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This product gives excellent results!! You don't know what "dark" green is until you have used Max Green. I love the results and will buy again and again. I live along a busy highway. People have actually stopped to ask what I use on my lawn.

Quality



Value



Pros Quality, Easy to Use, Effective

Cons pricey

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful 1 0

Reply



Quick greenup of grass with little water required

May 18, 2012

PhilShe Springfield, Illinois

Age: 55 to 64 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 30 or more years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: 4-5 times

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Green is easy to apply. While it is more expensive, the quick greenup and the slow release make this a really good value.

Pros Quality, Easy to Use, long term green power!

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful 2 0

Reply



Exceptional greening

May 18, 2012

RedWingWillie Michigan, USA **Top 250 contributor**

Age: 55 to 64 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** 2-3 times

How many times purchased in the past: 2-3 times

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Quality

I used this product for the first time late last summer and it worked unbelievably. Greened my lawn very quickly. This spring, I had my lawn aerated and then spread green max on it and it looks the best it ever has this early in the spring. I am totally convinced that this fertilizer does exactly what they say it will do.

Value

Value

Pros Quality, Effective, quick greening power

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful 3 0

Reply



Fast job, true green

May 10, 2012

Mystro North Amityville, NY, USA

Age: 45 to 54 **Gender:** Male **Gardening Experience:** 15 to 30 years

Experience: Intermediate/Average **How many days within the past 12 months:** 6-10 times

How many times purchased in the past: More than 10 times

First time use the product,with in two days, i notice the difference in the color of the grass.DEEP GREEN WITH A EXCELLENT LOOK!!!!!!!!!!!!

Quality

Quality

Pros Value, Quality, Easy to Use, Good Directions, Effective

Value

Value

Yes, I recommend this product.

helpful 1 1

Reply

Posted by **lawnpolice**

on May 17, 2012

Number one contributor

Two days? I thought this was a slow release product. maybe not?

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Scotts® Green MAX Lawn Fertilizer

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- Contains triple the iron for fast, extreme greening.*
- Kid and pet friendly.
- Water Smart® improves lawn's ability to absorb water and nutrients.

* Compared to regular fertilizers when applied at recommended rates

Available sizes:
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I had a little run off when watering and my concrete boarder is stained. Is there a product out there that you recommend to remove rust looking stain.

7 months ago

chuckster

Phoenix, AZ, USA

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Answers

Staff

We are sorry to hear about the rust stains after using Scotts Green Max. Sunlight and water will help to fade the iron stains from the product on outdoor surfaces, but will not completely remove them. The quicker a stain removal process is begun, the more effective the process will be. Before using any commercial cleaning products to remove stains, test the product on a small area to see if the product will fade or damage the stained surface. Most stain removal products work best with two applications. Be sure to thoroughly rinse the area after applying a stain removal product. The following products are effective iron stain removers:

Concrete Rust Remover from www.theruststore.com
 Super Iron Out
 Master Plumber Iron and Rust Remover
 Naval Jelly Rust Dissolver

7 months ago

ScottsCustomerCare

Marysville, OH, USA

0 1

Top 50 contributor

The Rust Stores concrete rust remover works good but is not cheap and you will need a minimum of three to do two applications.

7 months ago

Chief462

Schererville, IN, USA

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Top 100 contributor

I put this down during a light rain. My driveway, sidewalk, landscape rocks, house siding, and pool deck are covered with rust streaks. I don't care how green my lawn gets, the rust stains make it all look horrible. I will try the product mentioned here but I've tried several others and they have had no effect at all.

2 months ago

springTx

Spring, TX, USA

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Top 25 contributor

I ordered the product from the rust store around \$23 for about a 22oz, it has great reviews so hopefully it works. I hate the way my sidewalk and driveway look with the rust stains. Using the Scott's Green Max has cost me more money and now time, then it was worth.

7 months ago

BuffyD

Killeen, Texas

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I used Scott's Bonus S three weeks ago can I put green max on my lawn now? I have St. Augustine grass? I live in Houston tx.

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