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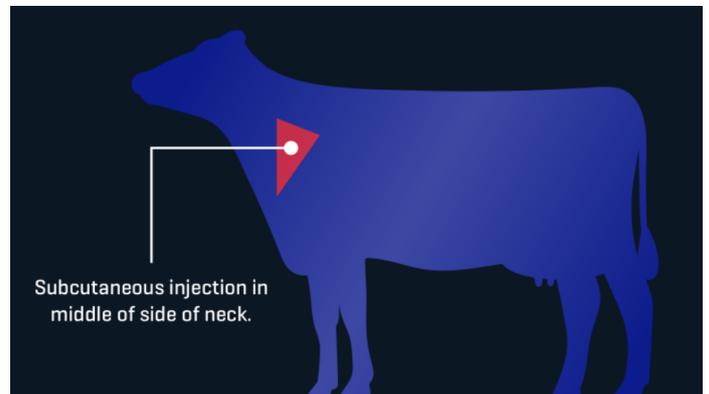


## Introducing Multimin Evolution

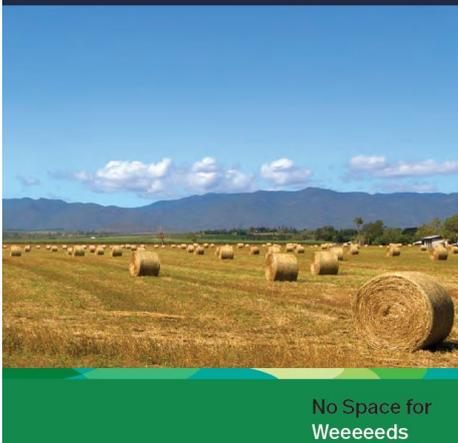
Did you know that the average daily gain (ADG) for Australian beef cattle increased 84% from 1981 to 2010\*? While the average dairy cow produced 27% more milk in 2019 compared to 2000\*. With such amazing production trends, we cannot assume that the technology of yesterday is adequate for modern and future animals. Introducing Multimin Evolution, the latest innovation for cutting edge performance, evolved.

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- Treats 100 head of cattle (500 kg)
- Contains 90 mg/mL of trace minerals
- Trace mineral top up for high demand periods (calving, joining, weaning)

Read more at <https://au.virbac.com/evolution>



Look out for new weeds in fodder



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### Look out for new weeds in fodder

Now is a good time to look out for weeds that may have come onto your farm with fodder including hay, grain, meal, silage or a mixture of materials used to feed animals over the last few years. With the current season there is strong germination and growth of a range of weeds across the whole region. NSW DPI have just released a "Look out for new weeds in fodder" booklet, that can help you identify some of the weeds that may come in with fodder.

**Stop the spread:** be vigilant all the time, find new weeds early, call the NSW DPI Biosecurity Helpline (1800 680 244) if you find a suspect plant – help will be provided, act to limit spread – control new weeds before they set seed.

Read More at <https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/biosecurity/weeds>

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## BIOSECURITY ALERT FALL ARMYWORM IN NSW

Fall armyworm (*Spodoptera frugiperda*) is an insect pest that has now been detected in NSW. This insect pest is a serious threat to a wide range of industries including grain, rice, cotton, vegetables and sugarcane. The detections were a result of a joint NSW Department of Primary Industries (NSW DPI) and Local Land Services initiative to establish an early warning trapping network in response to the threat of fall armyworm. These traps were established in Autumn 2020. The pest was first detected in NSW on 23 September 2020 north of Moree. Subsequent detections were made east of Narrabri and west of Wee Waa in October 2020. Populations of fall armyworm have already been established in northern Western Australia,



Northern Territory and Queensland since first being identified in Australia in early 2020. It is anticipated that the pest will impact NSW summer cropping with flights moving into NSW from northern states. Early detection is vital to minimising the spread and impacts of fall armyworm in NSW.

### HOW TO IDENTIFY FALL ARMYWORM

Small larvae will be difficult to identify in the field, but they are often pale green to brown, with a dark head capsule. Larger larvae have some characteristics that make identification easier, these include similar colouration to other Noctuids, but they have:

- A dark head capsule with a distinct upside down Y shape between the eyes
- Two dark dots with spines on each upper body segment
- Four dark spots arranged in a square on the last abdominal segment
- Three pale lines running the length of the body may be seen on larger larvae.

Adult moths are difficult to distinguish from other Noctuid moths in the field and will need to be sent to NSW DPI for identification.

Read more <https://www.lls.nsw.gov.au/help-and-advice/pests,-weeds-and-diseases/biosecurity-alerts/biosecurity-alert-fall-armyworm>

### It's time to get your fertiliser orders in for your winter crops

Fertiliser planning often starts in summer with post-harvest soil testing to assess nutrient requirements. Fertiliser systems vary, but may include applications of nitrogen and starter fertilisers at planting, foliar sprays and liquid or granular fertilisers in crop, right up until flowering.

Town and Country Rural Supplies offer Croplift 15 in 25kg and 1000kg bulk bags.

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