



Pioneer® brand Maize Silage hybrid performance information

Silage CRM 99

Very productive. Very stable. Very defensive.

P9978 delivers a great all-round package with superior foliar health and silage eye-appeal.

- Tall plant with low ear placement, strong roots and stalks, superior drought tolerance and staygreen.
- Provides comparable silage yields to **P9911**, however, **P9978** is slightly quicker to harvest, has better standability, Northern Leaf Blight and Rust resistances.
- Delivers silage with higher energy and digestibility ratings than **P9911**.
- To optimise yield performance established plant populations should be adjusted to match paddock yield expectation.

Widely adapted to all North Island growing regions where this maturity is required.

Recommended growing regions



Recommended established plant populations (000's/ha)

Challenging
yield
environments

95

Medium
yield
environments

110

High
yield
environments

120



Plant traits

Drought tolerance	<div><div></div></div>	7
Stalk strength	<div><div></div></div>	6
Root strength	<div><div></div></div>	7
Early growth	<div><div></div></div>	7
Plant height	<div><div></div></div>	7
Staygreen	<div><div></div></div>	7

Silage quality traits

Whole plant digestibility	<div><div></div></div>	9
Starch and sugar	<div><div></div></div>	9

Hybrid disease ratings

Northern Leaf Blight	<div><div></div></div>	7
Common Rust	<div><div></div></div>	7

Maize Silage Performance Comparisons for P9978

Yield advantage to the first named hybrid

Pioneer hybrid	Comparison hybrid	Number of trials	Drymatter difference (%) ¹	Yield advantage (kgDM/ha)	Statistical significance
National					
P9978	PAC200 (Afinity)	29	-1.15	2,242	★★★
P9978	PAC295 (N39-Q1)	42	-1.04	1,798	★★★
P9978	P0362	58	2.79	0	NS
P9978	P9400	59	-2.34	2,138	★★★
P9978	P9721	46	-0.52	1,858	★★★
P9978	P9911	79	1.56	511	★
P9978	PAC249	36	-0.47	2,211	★★★
P9978	PAC314	31	1.70	1,920	★★★
Northland					
P9978	P9911	10	2.52	1,231	★
Waikato					
P9978	PAC200 (Afinity)	17	-1.07	1,911	★
P9978	PAC295 (N39-Q1)	23	-0.31	2,047	★★
P9978	P9400	31	-1.74	2,016	★★★
P9978	P9721	25	-0.23	1,106	★
P9978	P9911	37	1.48	157	NS
P9978	PAC249	15	-1.24	2,371	★★★
P9978	PAC314	17	2.19	1,085	★
lower North Island and Taranaki					
P9978	PAC200 (Afinity)	12	-1.27	2,711	★★
P9978	PAC295 (N39-Q1)	19	-1.92	1,496	★
P9978	P0021	12	-0.24	1,867	★
P9978	P9721	21	-0.86	2,752	★★★
P9978	P9911	32	1.36	694	NS
P9978	PAC249	18	-0.45	2,203	★★
P9978	PAC314	13	0.96	3,038	★★★

Yield significance key

- NS No significant yield difference
- CA Commercially acceptable
- ★ Significant yield advantage
- ★★ Highly significant yield advantage
- ★★★ Very highly significant yield advantage

¹ Positive drymatter differences indicate that the bolded Pioneer hybrid had a higher average drymatter percentage at harvest. Such hybrids are usually shorter in maturity than the comparison hybrid. Negative drymatter differences indicate that the bolded Pioneer hybrid had a lower average drymatter content at harvest. Such hybrids are usually longer in maturity than the comparison hybrid. Positive yield advantages indicate that the bolded hybrid was higher yielding. **Includes all data to the end of the 2022 harvest.**

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