Select Potential Ethanol Feedstocks

Alcohol Yield Potential (199+ proof) per Feedstock/Acre¹

FEEDSTOCK	NOTES	YIELD (gallons)
Cattails	single annual crop, managed, starch only	2500
Cassava	annual yield	1662-2045
Cattails	wild, approximate, annual yield	1075
Fodder Beets	annual yield	940
Sugar Cane	22-month yield	900
Buffalo Gourd	annual yield	900
Nipa Palms	wild, annual yield	650
Jerusalem Artichokes	annual yield	550-750
Sugar Cane	annual yield	555
Prickly Pear	cultivated, annual yield	500-900
Sorghum Cane	annual yield	500-1000
Comfrey	roots and foliage, sugar only, annual yield	500
Pimelons	managed, annual yield	450
Sugar Beets	annual yield	400-770
Mesquite	managed, annual yield	341
Potatoes	starch only, annual yield	299-447
Corn	annual yield	214-392
Prickly Pear	managed wild, annual yield	200-500
Sweet Potatoes	annual yield	190-255
Rice	rough, annual yield	175-230
Lucerne	annual yield	145
Apples	annual yield	140
Dates	dry, annual yield	126
Grain Sorghum	annual yield	125-256
Carrots	annual yield	121
Yams	annual yield	94
Grapes	annual yield	91
Peaches	annual yield	84
Barley	annual yield	83-133
Wheat	annual yield	79
Pineapples	annual yield	78
Oats	annual yield	57
Rye	annual yield	54
Pears	annual yield	49
Apricots	annual yield	41
Buckwheat	annual yield	34

Alcohol Yield Potential (199+ proof) per Feedstock/Ton1

FEEDSTOCK	NOTES	YIELD (gallons)
Wheat		85.0
Corn		84.0
Buckwheat		83.4
Grain Sorghum		79.5
Rice	rough	79.5
Barley		79.2
Dates	dry	79.0
Rye		78.8
Mesquite		76.0
Molasses	blackstrap	70.4
Sorghum Cane		70.4
Oats		63.6
Lichens	reindeer moss	60.0
Marine Algae	dry	55.0
Cassava		48.0
Manure	dairy cattle	40.0
Sweet Potatoes		34.2
Buffalo Gourds		32.0
Yams		27.3
Chili Peppers		27.2
Jerusalem Artichokes		27.0
Fodder Beets		27.0
Onions		24.2
Prickly Pear		24.0
Garlic		23.1
Cattails	starch only	23.0
Potatoes		22.9
Sugar Beets		22.1
Lucerne	dry weight	21.1
Oranges	whole	21.0
Sugarcane		15.2
Grapes		15.1
Apples		14.4
Apricots		13.6
Pears		11.5
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Marine Algae	wet	6.0

^{1.} Blume, David (2007). *Alcohol Can Be a Gas! Fueling an Ethanol Revolution for the 21st Century.* Santa Cruz, CA, USA: International Institute for Ecological Agriculture