

## A FORAGE LEGUME of Commercial Importance ~

**PERENNIAL PEANUT** is a high-quality persistent tropical forage legume that can be grazed or fed to horses, dairy and beef cattle, hogs, goats, sheep, and rabbits. It can be stored as dry hay or silage and is an ideal substitute for imported alfalfa. Florigraze and Arbook cultivars of perennial peanut, or rhizoma peanut, as it is sometimes called, have been selected in Florida for their high-yield, quality, persistence, disease resistance, and drought tolerance.

Perennial peanut is well adapted to dry, sandy soils, and to date, appears to persist indefinitely. Perennial peanut is planted using rhizomes, or underground stems, dug from a nursery planting. Hay yields in North Florida range from 3-5 tons per acre per year for well established stands. Quality and uses are so similar to that of Alfalfa that perennial peanut has been coined "Florida's alfalfa."

Perennial peanut grows well in Florida, South Georgia and southern portions of the Gulf States. It requires no pesticides for control of insects or diseases and fertility requirements mirror it's close relative, the common peanut. These characteristics make perennial peanut an environmentally sound, low energy-consuming crop which, ranks it as an important component for sustainable agricultural systems.



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**For more information on  
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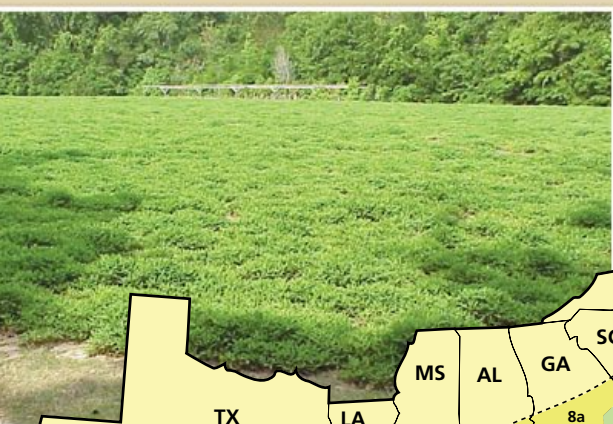


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## Estimated Perennial Peanut growing zones for the southern U.S.

(based on USDA plant hardiness map and past or existing plantings)

Northern Production Limit defined by dashed line. Commercial Production Zones include the warmer portion of USDA hardiness zone 8a and zones 8b, 9 and above.

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8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Registration	
9:00 a.m.	Welcome – Plan for the day introductions — <i>Mr. Steve Basford, President, PPPA</i>	
9:10 a.m.	Research Update – <i>Dr. Ann Blount, Associate Professor, UF Agronomy Dept, Dr. Cheryl Mackoviak, Assistant Professor, UF Soil and Water Science Dept</i>	
	ROOM A	ROOM B
10:00 a.m. - 10:50 a.m.	Establishment Considerations for Perennial Peanut – <i>Doug Mayo, Extension Agent III, CED Jackson County</i>	Using Ornamental Peanut in the Landscape and Production Techniques – <i>Mr. Mike Semillion, Speeding Corp</i>
	ROOM A	ROOM B
10:50 a.m. - 11:40 a.m.	Marketing Quality Hay, Storage, and Marketing Factors – <i>Mr. Richard Cone, Cone Farms Greenville FL</i>	Weed Control Strategies in Perennial Peanut – <i>Clay Olson, Extension Agent IV, Taylor County</i>
	ROOM A	
11:40 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	Sprayer Calibration/Handling and Storage, Understanding the Label – <i>Clyde Smith, Extension Agent II, Jackson County Extension</i>	
12:30 p.m.	Lunch – courtesy PPPA	
1:30 p.m.	Field Tour and Demonstration of Equipment	