

# Planting millet grass under photovoltaic panels



## Overview

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These yield increases are possible because of the microclimate created underneath the solar panels that conserves water and protects plants from excess sun, wind, hail and soil erosion. This makes more food per acre and could help bring down food prices. And while the grass under your trampoline grows by itself, researchers like me in the field of solar photovoltaic technology — made up of solar cells that convert sunlight directly into electricity — have been working on shading large crop lands with solar panels — on purpose. and Valorem in several regions of France. Despite the different climatic conditions, similar positive trends were observed with. Benefits can include protecting the soil, improved pollinator habitat and livestock (primarily sheep) grazing performance and reduced maintenance cost for the solar operator. In observing recent installations of solar arrays, the pre-construction field conditions vary greatly. Recent research highlights the potential for photovoltaic (PV) panels to coexist with the region's native ecosystems, particularly during periods of drought.

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Plant the Grass: Grass can be planted under solar panels in the spring or fall. Be sure to plant the grass at the proper depth and spacing. Water the Grass: Grass under solar panels needs to ...



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Finally, analyses show that forage quality improves under the panels: it is richer in nitrogen and minerals, and therefore more digestible for livestock, particularly in summer.



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