



Making Your Lawn A Cut Above The Rest

(NAPSA)—Good grooming is just as important for property as it is for people. For many homeowners, that good grooming of the property starts with lawn care and the technique known as lawn striping.

Creating a groomed appearance like that seen at major league stadiums, lawn striping enhances the look of an entire property while adding pleasure and a touch of creativity to the mowing experience.

Consisting of patterns and designs of alternately hued stripes, lawn striping is the surest way to a beautiful lawn. Requiring nothing more than a Simplicity lawn tractor, garden tractor or riding mower with its Free Floating™ mower deck and full-width rollers, the stripes can be created during a standard mowing.

Lawn striping patterns are not caused by the mower or by cutting grass at different heights, as is commonly thought. Patterns are caused by the way the light reflects off the grass. Grass cut with the rollers going away from you looks lighter; grass cut with the rollers coming towards you looks darker.

One of the first people to create lawn striping at the ballpark was David R. Mellor, Director of grounds at Boston's famed Fenway Park. While Mellor uses commercial equipment to stripe the ballpark, he uses a Simplicity tractor on his own lawn.

According to Mellor, "Simplicity has taken many of the components of the commercial equipment that I use at the stadium and sized them down into lawn and garden tractors and riding mowers for the home," explains Mellor. "The result is a premium machine that's easy for anyone to use," he adds.

"While lawn striping is a beautiful addition to any yard, it can



Simplicity tractors allow homeowners to create big league lawns.

also be used to highlight landscaping features or gardens around the home," says Troy Blewett, manager of Corporate Communications for Simplicity. "Among the more popular patterns are basic stripes, waves, diamonds and checkerboards. Many people find themselves adding creative touches to their lawn patterns after just a little practice," he adds.

In addition to creating attractive striping patterns, these tractors and riders deliver an exceptional cut.

The Free Floating deck feature allows the mower to ride independent of the frame, thereby following even the slightest contours of the lawn. The result is a well-groomed lawn without scalping or scarring. Other features of this brand include ease of use, superior traction and dependable service.

Dealers are currently offering a "how-to" brochure outlining how to achieve common striping patterns, complete with tips from Mellor.

To receive your brochure or to learn more about the Simplicity brand of lawn and garden tractors or riding mowers, visit your local dealer. To find the nearest dealer, visit the Company's Web site at www.simplicitymfg.com.