
PRESS RELEASE

"This machine is from hell!" Early users applaud the new double-star rake, Ra Rake, even under extreme conditions

Clean harvest and high productivity (7 hectares per hour): this is the enthusiastic opinion of an early user, a Piacenza farmer who - among the first - has used the swath on defibrated corn

Casorate Primo, 10 September 2018 "A mix between a rake and a broom in the field: I have never seen a machine work like this!", says Fabrizio Girometta, of Girometta Pietro Villa Anna farm of Cortemaggiore (PC), Italy. Fabrizio raises cattle and produces cereal crops for forage.

"I have used RaRake in difficult conditions: the product is heterogeneous, as the residue is mixed with partially crushed corn plants. The rake or, better to say, your "broom-rake" combines these two operations in the field: **the double star moves the product and at the same time cleans the field**, just like a rake and a broom, in any working condition, even in the presence of a soil with deep carriageways that were formed in the springtime, but the machine, incredibly, can collect both the "long and the short", the farmer enthusiastically comments. Even under these extreme working conditions, **the early opinion of those who have tried the machine, still a not-for-sale prototype, is very positive.**



"This rake has an enviable feature that makes it difficult to compare to any other rake ... you get both the cleanest crop AND a very satisfactory hourly productivity (**on average, 7 hectares per hour in regular soil and without drains**)" says the farmer, "if you use any other rake, under these conditions, you will not reach this hourly productivity and, at the same time, you'll end up with a much dirtier crop."

But how do you achieve these results? By using new technology, IT, expensive tools? None of this: **RaRake uses an established solution in a new way, with no need for major investments.**

"The double star rake is a simple machine (I would almenst call it primitive), but **in its simplicity it is revolutionary, because it combines speed of work with a very high quality of the crop**," concludes Girometta. "And if these are the results obtained on a difficult crop, such as the residues of threshing corn, for sure with forage or alfalfa, they will be even better ... kudos to innovative designers!"

Also for this reason, **the RaRake project has obtained an important funding (Horizon 2020)** from the European Union: innovation, efficiency and quality, confirming that "Made in Italy" machinery still has much to say. Good news for farmers, in Europe and elsewhere.

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Repossi Macchine Agricole - The company designs and manufactures agricultural machinery, in particular for haymaking (raking) and breeding. Founded in 1898 and now in its fourth generation, it looks to the future thanks to innovative and patented solutions, including the RA-Rake double star rake, which in 2017 received Horizon 2020 funding from the European Commission.