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**KUHN SDS Series Shredders**

Kuhn North America, Inc. is pleased to introduce the KUHN SDS Series shredders. With KUHN’s proven gearbox and belt system, these shredders offer orchard and vineyard operators an innovative solution for maintaining grassy inter-rows. The patented side-discharge auger system delivers the clippings to the foot of the plants, increasing the concentration of organic matter in the root zone. Independent hydraulic drive means the auger discharge can be fine-tuned to match the ground speed and working conditions. With models offering working widths from 57.5” (1.5 m) to 79.9” (2.0 m), there is an SDS model for any orchard or vineyard.

The side-discharge auger discharges grass clippings from the cutting rotor to the righthand side of the machine. This allows for ideal clipping placement at the base of vines or trees. For operators looking to shred heavier materials, such as prunings and light, woody material, the auger can be easily removed to allow for work in heavier materials.

A belt-driven rotor driveline is designed for durability, while also reducing noise. In addition, the belt-driven system requires less maintenance compared to a chain or gear drive. Hammer knives, along with two rows of counterknives, power through thick grass, weeds and cover crops. The knives and rotor tube are carefully manufactured and tested for ideal balance to provide smooth operation and longer life.

SDS Series machines utilize a rear-mounted roller to set the cutting height of the machine and follow ground contours. Three adjustment slots are available to match the operator’s cutting height preferences. The hydraulic offset feature facilitate work under wide tree canopies. The hitch can shift up to 13.8” (35 cm) to the right, with hydraulic controls ensuring the operator never has to leave the tractor seat.

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