



Scottish Recommended Lists for Cereals 2022/23

The Scottish cereals lists include varieties of spring and winter barley, wheat and oats that are of most agronomic and commercial value to Scottish growers and the cereals sector. Recommendations are made by SRUC supported by the Scottish Variety Consultative Committee and are based on data collected as part of the AHDB Recommended List and Scottish Government National List system.

Highlights for 2022/23

Spring barley

The spring barley list has been consolidated with the main malting choices being Laureate and LG Diablo, both dual-purpose distilling and brewing varieties, and KWS Sassy, a distilling variety. Fairing remains on the list as the only fully approved grain distilling variety. Looking ahead, SY Tungsten and Firefoxx continue to make progress as they are evaluated commercially for malting use – both are considered as provisional year 3 (P3).

Winter barley

The winter barley list includes four new varieties. These are two-rowed feed varieties, Lightning and LG Dazzle, a new conventional six-rowed variety KWS Feeris, which is a specific recommendation for tolerance to Barley yellow dwarf virus (BYDV), and a new six-rowed hybrid SY Canyon. The leading two-rowed feed choices are LG Mountain, KWS Orwell and Valerie supported by year 2 varieties KWS Tardis, Bolton and Bordeaux.

Winter wheat

The Scottish winter wheat list has increased to twenty varieties, eleven of which are suitable for the grain distilling market. There are six new entries, including two soft-feed distilling varieties RGT Stokes and RGT Bairstow, a new biscuit and distilling option KWS Brium, two hard-feed varieties KWS Dawsum and LG Typhoon and a new Group 2 variety KWS Palladium. The leading distilling varieties are LG Skyscraper and Elation, supported by Swallow, KWS Jackal and the biscuit-making varieties Elicit, LG Illuminate and LG Astronomer.

Spring oats

There is a new spring oat variety called Merlin and two new spring wheat varieties KWS Fixum for feed and KWS Ladum for milling.



What's come off the list this year?

Ten varieties have been removed from the lists because of limited market interest, or low agronomic value. These are spring barley varieties Sienna and Cosmopolitan; winter barleys KWS Tower, KWS Hawking and Belmont; winter wheat varieties Revelation, LG Sundance, LG Prince and LG Quasar and the spring oat Aspen.

Citation for published version (APA): Hoad, SP. (2021). Scottish Recommended Lists for Cereals 2022/23. SRUC.

Further information

The full data sets collected are available on the AHDB Cereals & Oilseeds website here, <https://ahdb.org.uk/r/>

The SRUC Scottish Recommended Lists for Cereals are available on the SRUC website here, www.sruc.ac.uk/cereals-list

Steve Hoad
SRUC - Scotland's Rural College
Department of Agriculture, Horticulture and Engineering Sciences
West Mains Road
Edinburgh EH9 3JG
Scotland UK
steve.hoad@sruc.ac.uk