

## Winter wheat trials harvest 2025

## Candidate varieties

| CANDIDATE                 | Previous/proposed<br>name | Variety ID   | Endosperm texture | Yield treated (T) – UK | Yield treated (T) – East | Yield treated (T) – West | Yield treated (T) – North | Yield untreated (UT)<br>(as % treated controls) | Mildew (1–9) | Yellow rust (1–9) | Brown rust (1–9) | Septoria tritici (1–9) | Eyespot (1–9) | OWBM  | BYDV     | Lodging % (UT) | Lodging % (T) | Straw length (cm) (UT) | Ripening<br>(days +/- Skyfall) | Protein content (%) | Hagberg Falling<br>Number | Specific weight (kg/hl) | UK contact       |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|--|-------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---|--------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------------|---------------|-------|----------|----------------|---------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| Control varieties         |                           |  |                   |                        |                          |                          |                           |   |              |                   |                  |                        |               |       |          |                |               |                        |                                |                     |                           |                         |                  |
| Skyfall                   | SJ3326                    | 2138   | Hard              | 98                     | 98                       | [98]                     | [[95]]                    | 58  | 6            | 3                 | 8                | 6                      | 6@            | R     | -        | 1              | 0             | 84                     | 0                              | 11.3                | 279                       | 79.3                    |                  |
| Gleam                     | SY114257                  | 2546   | Hard              | 103                    | 102                      | [104]                    | [[105]]                   | 71  | 6            | 5                 | 6                | 6                      | 5             | R     | -        | 0              | 0             | 85                     | 0                              | 10.6                | 233                       | 77.3                    | Syngenta UK Ltd  |
| LG Skyscraper             | LGWU123                   | 2626   | Soft              | 99                     | 100                      | [99]                     | [[99]]                    | 74  | 7            | 7                 | 5                | 5                      | 5             | R     | -        | 1              | 1             | 92                     | +1                             | 10.6                | 207                       | 77.0                    | Limagrain UK     |
| KWS Extase                | MH15-39                   | 2672   | Hard              | 105                    | 105                      | [105]                    | [[104]]                   | 86  | 6            | 6                 | 7                | 7                      | 3             | -     | -        | 1              | 0             | 91                     | -1                             | 11.1                | 283                       | 79.1                    | KWS UK           |
| LG Astronomer             | LGWU143                   | 2809   | Soft              | 95                     | 94                       | [95]                     | [[98]]                    | 76  | 4            | 9                 | 8                | 6                      | 5             | R     | -        | 1              | 0             | 88                     | +2                             | 11.1                | 233                       | 78.3                    | Limagrain UK     |
| Selected as potential bre | ead-making vari           |  |                   |                        |                          |                          |                           |   |              |                   |                  |                        |               |       |          |                |               |                        |                                |                     |                           |                         |                  |
| KWS Imrie                 | KWS W457                  | 3303   | Hard              | 104                    | 103                      | [105]                    | [[104]]                   | 80  | 7            | 6                 | 5                | 7                      | 6@            | -     | -        | 1              | 0             | 85                     | +1                             | 11.2                | 286                       | 79.0                    | KWS UK           |
| KWS Grebe                 | KWS W461                  | 3307   | Hard              | 105                    | 105                      | [105]                    | [[104]]                   | [82]  | 6            | 8                 | 5                | 7                      | 5             | R     | -        | 0              | 0             | 83                     | -1                             | 11.1                | 270                       | 77.2                    | KWS UK           |
| Arlington                 | DSV 322116                | 3336   | Hard              | 101                    | 102                      | [99]                     | [[98]]                    | 90  | 6            | 9                 | 6                | 7                      | 6@            | R     | -        | 0              | 0             | 80                     | 0                              | 11.4                | 297                       | 79.3                    | DSV UK Ltd       |
| Selected as potential bis | cuit-making var           | rieties  |                   |                        |                          |                          |                           |   |              |                   |                  |                        |               |       |          |                |               |                        |                                |                     |                           |                         |                  |
| LG Lotus                  | LGWU205                   | 3367   | Soft              | 103                    | 103                      | [103]                    | [[100]]                   | [85]  | 6            | 8                 | 7                | 7                      | 3             | R     | -        | 1              | 1             | 85                     | +3                             | 10.6                | 245                       | 77.0                    | Limagrain UK     |
| Selected as potential fee | d varieties               |  |                   |                        |                          |                          |                           |   |              |                   |                  |                        |               |       |          |                |               |                        |                                |                     |                           |                         |                  |
| Hector                    | SJ S0592                  | 3297   | Hard              | 109                    | 109                      | [111]                    | [[108]]                   | 74  | 6            | 8                 | 4                | 7                      | 4             | -     | -        | 1              | 0             | 89                     | +3                             | 10.3                | 209                       | 76.2                    | Senova           |
| KWS Fowlmere              | KWS W460                  | 3306   | Hard              | 109                    | 109                      | [108]                    | [[108]]                   | [86]  | 6            | 9                 | 5                | 6                      | 5             | R     | -        | 1              | 1             | 89                     | -2                             | 10.7                | 292                       | 80.0                    | KWS UK           |
| KWS Aintree               | KWS W466                  | 3312   | Hard              | 112                    | 112                      | [110]                    | [[110]]                   | 86  | 5            | 9                 | 5                | 6                      | 6             | R     | -        | 1              | 1             | 92                     | +1                             | 10.2                | 277                       | 78.8                    | KWS UK           |
| KWS Maximise              | KWS W468                  | 3314   | Hard              | 108                    | 109                      | [106]                    | [[99]]                    | 77  | 4            | 9                 | 5                | 7                      | 4             | R     | -        | 0              | 0             | 84                     | 0                              | 11.2                | 285                       | 77.5                    | KWS UK           |
| AWC 37                    | -                         | - 3325 Data cannot be published as variety has not completed GB and NI Variety Lists testing Angus Wheat Consultants Ltd |                   |                        |                          |                          |                           |   |              |                   |                  |                        |               |       |          |                |               |                        |                                |                     |                           |                         |                  |
| RGT Guardsman             | RW42265                   | 3345   | Hard              | 103                    | 104                      | [100]                    | [[104]]                   | 79  | 6            | 8                 | 6                | 6                      | 5             | -     | R        | 13             | 3             | 90                     | 0                              | 10.0                | 227                       | 75.6                    |                  |
| Sparkler                  | EW20679                   | 3353   |                   |                        |                          | Data c                   | annot be p                | ublished  | as vari      | iety ha           | s not c          | omple                  | ted GB        | and N | II Varie | ty List        | s testir      | ng                     |                                |                     |                           |                         | Elsoms Seeds Ltd |
| Heartwood                 | EW20733                   | 3354   | Soft              | 105                    | 105                      | [106]                    | [[104]]                   | 84  | 6            | 8                 | 6                | 7                      | 4             | -     | -        | 1              | 0             | 87                     | -1                             | 11.2                | 199                       | 75.6                    |                  |
| LG Defiance               | LGWU206                   | 3368   | Hard              | 111                    | 111                      | [111]                    | [[107]]                   | 87  | 7            | 8                 | 5                | 7                      | 5             | R     | -        | 2              | 2             | 96                     | +1                             | 10.3                | 245                       | 77.0                    |                  |
| LG Challenger             | LGWU207                   | 3369   | Hard              | 108                    | 108                      | [109]                    | [[109]]                   | 85  | 8            | 7                 | 5                | 6                      | 5             | R     | -        | 1              | 1             | 93                     | +1                             | 10.2                | 294                       | 78.6                    |                  |
| SY Nairn                  | SY122518                  | 3379   | Soft              | 105                    | 105                      | [106]                    | [[103]]                   | 78  | 7            | 7                 | 4                | 7                      | 4             | R     | -        | 0              | 0             | 83                     | +1                             | 11.1                | 224                       | 77.6                    | Syngenta UK Ltd  |
|                           |                           |  |                   |                        |                          |                          |                           |   |              |                   |                  |                        |               |       |          |                |               |                        |                                |                     |                           |                         |                  |
| Mean of controls (t/ha)   |                           |  |                   | 11.4                   | 11.2                     | 11.5                     | 12.0                      | 11.4  | -            | -                 | -                | -                      | -             |       |          | -              | -             | -                      | 298                            | -                   | -                         | -                       |                  |
| Overall mean              |                           |  |                   | -                      | -                        | -                        | -                         | -   | -            | -                 | -                | -                      | -             |       |          | -              | -             | 89                     | -                              | 10.9                | 244                       | 77.7                    |                  |
| LSD 5%                    |                           |  |                   | 3.1                    | 2.5                      | 3.6                      | 7.1                       | 6.0   | -            | -                 | -                | -                      | -             |       |          | -              | -             | 2.9                    | 1.4                            | -                   | -                         | -                       |                  |
| Number of trials          |                           |  |                   | 30                     | 18                       | 8                        | 4                         | 12  | -            | -                 | -                | -                      | -             |       |          | 7              | 17            | 10                     | 7                              | 12                  | 12                        | 11                      |                  |

On the 1-9 scales, high figures indicate that a variety shows the character to a high degree (e.g. high resistance).

The 1–9 ratings are not comparable to those used in the RL table.

See the AHDB RL for full data on control varieties.

Candidate varieties will be considered for the RL 2026/27.

To allow direct comparisons, the data presented for control varieties is taken from trials in which the candidates were grown.

These summaries are derived from GB and NI Variety List (VL) and BSPB trials. Acknowledgement is made to APHA and BSPB for the use of the data. Varieties are ordered within a group by ascending variety ID.

T = Data from trials treated with fungicide and plant growth regulator (PGR)
UT = Data from trials without fungicide or plant growth regulator (PGR)
OWBM = Orange wheat blossom midge
BYDV = Barley yellow dwarf virus

 ${\sf R}=$  Believed to be resistant to the trait, as this is a breeders claim this has not been verified in RL tests

@ = Believed to carry the *Pch1* Rendezvous resistance gene to eyespot, as this is a breeders claim it has not been verified in RL tests

[] = Limited data

[[]] = Very limited data

LSD = Least significant difference LSD 5%: Varieties that are more than one LSD apart are significantly different at the 95% confidence level