

Spring linseed descriptive list 2025

DL candidates



|                                 | Juliet | Bingo | Skylark | Buffalo | Bliss | Octal | Baroness | Daniel | Nimbus | Paddington | Richess | Gilbert | Abacus | Genie  | Balance | FP2513 <sup>1</sup> | Average LSD (5%) |
|---------------------------------|--------|-------|---------|---------|-------|-------|----------|--------|--------|------------|---------|---------|--------|--------|---------|---------------------|------------------|
| Seed colour                     | B      | B     | B       |         |       | B     | B        |        | B      | Ye         |         | Ye      | B      | Ye     |         | B                   |                  |
| Variety status                  |        | C     |         |         |       | *     | NEW      |        | NEW    | NEW        |         |         | C      | NEW    |         |                     |                  |
| Seed yield as % control         |        |       |         |         |       |       |          |        |        |            |         |         |        |        |         |                     |                  |
| UK without fungicide (2.1 t/ha) | 110    | 109   | 108     | 103     | 103   | 102   | [102]    | 99     | [98]   | [97]       | 97      | 94      | 94     | [83]   | [111]   | -                   | 10.4             |
| Number of trials                | 17     | 17    | 13      | 17      | 17    | 17    | 9        | 17     | 9      | 9          | 13      | 17      | 17     | 9      | 7       | -                   | -                |
| Agronomic features              |        |       |         |         |       |       |          |        |        |            |         |         |        |        |         |                     |                  |
| Plant height (cm)               | 54     | 50    | 49      | 51      | 49    | 49    | 47       | 52     | 55     | 50         | 43      | 49      | 48     | 50     | 50      | -                   | 2.6              |
| Earliness of flowering (1–9)    | 4      | 5     | 4       | 4       | 6     | 4     | 6        | 6      | 4      | 4          | 7       | 6       | 5      | 4      | 5       | -                   | 0.8              |
| Earliness of maturity (1–9)     | 5      | 6     | 6       | 6       | 6     | 7     | 7        | 6      | 6      | 6          | 7       | 7       | 7      | 7      | 6       | -                   | 0.6              |
| Seed quality (at 9% moisture)   |        |       |         |         |       |       |          |        |        |            |         |         |        |        |         |                     |                  |
| Oil content (%)                 | 42.1   | 40.5  | 41.8    | 42.9    | 41.0  | 41.4  | [41.9]   | 40.5   | [40.7] | [41.0]     | 43.0    | 41.7    | 40.4   | [38.2] | [41.4]  | -                   | 0.8              |
| ALA content (%)                 | 58.1   | 58.2  | 62.0    | 58.7    | 60.9  | 55.8  | 59.7     | 57.8   | 60.2   | 60.5       | 65.5    | 66.9    | 59.5   | 69.5   | 62.1    | -                   | -                |
| Annual seed yield (% control)   |        |       |         |         |       |       |          |        |        |            |         |         |        |        |         |                     |                  |
| 2020 (2.7 t/ha)                 | [118]  | [105] | -       | [108]   | [106] | [98]  | -        | [93]   | -      | -          | -       | [97]    | [95]   | -      | -       | -                   | 10.4             |
| 2021 (2.1 t/ha)                 | [95]   | [109] | [106]   | [97]    | [102] | [102] | -        | [98]   | -      | -          | [94]    | [92]    | [98]   | -      | -       | -                   | 8.6              |
| 2022 (2.0 t/ha)                 | [110]  | [112] | [109]   | [92]    | [103] | [101] | [106]    | [105]  | [103]  | [101]      | [90]    | [96]    | [90]   | [80]   | -       | -                   | 15.6             |
| 2023 (1.7 t/ha)                 | [114]  | [110] | [109]   | [99]    | [105] | [103] | [102]    | [105]  | [97]   | [89]       | [99]    | [86]    | [94]   | [77]   | [110]   | -                   | 13.0             |
| 2024 (1.9 t/ha)                 | [110]  | [113] | [106]   | [117]   | [98]  | [107] | [97]     | [96]   | [94]   | [101]      | [98]    | [99]    | [89]   | [85]   | [116]   | -                   | 14.5             |
| Breeder/UK contact              |        |       |         |         |       |       |          |        |        |            |         |         |        |        |         |                     |                  |
| Breeder                         | GKI    | Bilt  | JTSD    | Bilt    | Bilt  | LaS   | Bilt     | Med    | JTSD   | Bilt       | LS      | CDC     | JTSD   | JTSD   | Bilt    | CDC                 |                  |
| UK contact                      | Agr    | Els   | UOM     | Els     | Els   | Dalt  | Els      | Agr    | JTSD   | Els        | PC      | Rapp    | Sen    | JTSD   | Els     | JTSD                |                  |
| Status in DL system             |        |       |         |         |       |       |          |        |        |            |         |         |        |        |         |                     |                  |
| Year first listed               | 01     | 17    | 24      | 21      | 20    | 17    | 25       | 18     | 25     | 25         | 24      | 23      | 06     | 25     | -       | -                   |                  |
| DL status                       | -      | -     | P2      | -       | -     | *     | P1       | -      | P1     | P1         | P2      | -       | -      | P1     | -       | -                   |                  |

Varieties no longer listed: Aquarius, Batsman, Bowler, Ineke and Olympe.  
For this table, Batsman was also a control variety but is no longer listed.  
The data in this table is provided for information only and does not constitute a recommendation.

On the 1–9 scale, high figures indicate that a variety shows the character to a high degree (e.g. early maturity).  
Candidate varieties will be considered for the DL 2026.

<sup>1</sup> Data cannot be published as variety has not completed GB and NI Variety Lists testing.

B = Brown  
Ye = Yellow  
C = Yield control  
ALA = Alpha-linolenic acid

[ ] = Limited data  
P1 = First year of listing  
P2 = Second year of listing

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

Agr = Agrii ([agrii.co.uk](https://agrii.co.uk))  
Bilt = van de Bilt, Netherlands  
CDC = CDC Saskatchewan ([agbio.usask.ca/cdcflax](https://agbio.usask.ca/cdcflax))  
Dalt = Dalton Seeds ([daltonseeds.co.uk](https://daltonseeds.co.uk))  
Els = Elsoms Seeds Ltd ([elsoms.com](https://elsoms.com))

GKI = GK Kht, Hungary  
JTSD = JTSD Ltd ([jtsd.co.uk](https://jtsd.co.uk))  
LaS = Laboulet Semences, France  
LS = Linéa Semences de lin

Med = Medovarsky  
PC = Premium Crops ([premiumcrops.com](https://premiumcrops.com))  
Rapp - Robin Appel ([robin-appel.com](https://robin-appel.com))  
Sen = Senova ([senova.uk.com](https://senova.uk.com))  
UOM = United Oilseeds Marketing