

## **Xena**

Synonyms - None

### **HISTORY**

Xena was developed by WestBred, LLC from the cross Stark/Baronesse. The variety was released by WestBred, LLC in 2000.

### **AREA OF PRODUCTION**

Xena has been successfully grown on both dryland and irrigated areas of Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Utah and Montana in the USA and Alberta and Saskatchewan in Canada.

### **AGRONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS**

**Yield** - Grain yields are higher than most other commercially available varieties.

**Maturity** - Midseason.

**Straw Strength** - Moderately stiff.

**Straw Length** – Mid-tall.

**Disease Reaction** - susceptible to scald and net blotch, moderately resistant to stem rust (but not the QCC race), and moderately resistant to common root rot.

### **UTILIZATION**

Feed barley.



## **DESCRIPTION**

**Plant** - Spring growth habit.

**Head** - 2-rowed; Lateral sterile florets are extremely reduced in size.

**Beard** - Rough.

**Glume** - Glumes covered with short hairs.

## **KERNEL**

**Hull** - Adhering and wrinkled.

**Aleurone** - Colorless.

**Rachilla Hairs** - Long.

**Veins** - Well defined.

**Barbs of Lateral Veins** - None.

**Crease** - Narrow in lower half and flared toward beard end.

**Point of Attachment** - Depression.

**Kernel Size** – Mid-long to long.

**Kernel Shape** - Plump, broad in relation to length.

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