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.

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**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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