

2018-19 Recommended Malting Barley Varieties

The following varieties of two-row and six-row malting barley are recognized by the CMBTC as having good agronomic and quality characteristics, as well as substantial or growing market demand. The varieties have been pilot scale tested by the CMBTC and all exhibit good malting and brewing characteristics. All two-row and six-row varieties on the CMBTC recommended list are registered with the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA). A comprehensive list of all malting barley varieties designated by the Canadian Grain Commission can be found at <https://www.grainscanada.gc.ca/legislation-legislation/orders-arretes/ocgcm-maccg-en.html>.

Two-Row Varieties

VARIETY	MARKET COMMENTS
CDC Copeland ₁	Established Demand
AC Metcalfe ₁	Established Demand
AAC Synergy ₄	Growing Demand
AAC Connect ₂	Under Commercial Market Development
CDC Bow ₁	Under Commercial Market Development

Note: CDC PlatinumStar₂ and CDC PolarStar₂ are currently closed-loop varieties. For contracting opportunities contact Prairie Malt - Cargill Biggar. Marketing opportunities remain for the varieties Bentley₂ and Newdale₃ and CDC Kindersley₁ in certain areas.

The CMBTC and its members recommend:

- Talk with your local malting barley buyer about opportunities in your area to grow and market two-row and six-row malting barley varieties.
- Use certified seed to ensure varietal purity, reduce disease incidence and increase the likelihood of selection for malt.
- For contracting opportunities, contact your grain company representative, local elevator operators, malting companies, or the representative seed company.

Six-Row Varieties

VARIETY	MARKET COMMENTS
Legacy ₃	Limited Demand
Tradition ₃	Limited Demand
Celebration ₂	Limited Demand

New Varieties in Development

The following varieties have been registered with CFIA and are undergoing seed propagation. Both varieties have been pilot scale tested at the CMBTC and exhibit good quality characteristics suitable for all malt and/or adjunct brewing styles.

VARIETY	COMMENTS
CDC Fraser ₁	Two-Row - Undergoing seed propagation
Lowe ₁	Two-Row - Undergoing seed propagation

The following companies have pedigreed seed distribution rights for those varieties that are footnoted:

1 – SeCan	2 – CANTERRA SEEDS
3 – FP Genetics	4 – Syngenta

Questions? Call your selector, seed company, grain handling company or contact the CMBTC.

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