

Technical Bulletin

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KWS Kellie 2-Row Barley



KWS Kellie is an exciting new 2-row barley with exceptionally short strong straw and high grain yield potential. KWS Kellie is ideally suited to high moisture and high fertility growing conditions of Western Canada. KWS Kellie was registered in Ontario as a malt variety but in Western Canada it fits best as a feed barley as it's malt profile does not match our normal western malt varieties.

Strengths:

- 109% of CDC Austenson in SeCan western Canadian EuroBarley trials 2019-2021
- Yield 120% of AC Metcalfe and equal to AAC Synergy (2018 & 2019 Ontario Orthogonal Registration Trials)
- Approximately 10cm shorter than CDC Austenson in SeCan western Canadian EuroBarley trials 2019-2021
- Expected very good lodging rating, in SeCan western EuroBarley trials KWS Kellie rated 1.8 vs 2.6 for CDC Austenson on a 1 to 9 scale where 1 = no lodging and 9 = flat

Neutral Traits:

- Slightly lower test weight compared to Canadian check varieties
- Late maturity, +1-2 days compared to CDC Austenson

Weaknesses:

- Disease rating still under review but early results show poorer disease resistance than traditional Canadian cultivars

Breeder:

KWS SAAT SE & Co. Einbeck, Germany

PBR 91 Protected

VUA™

Pictures taken in August 2020 at Bon Accord, AB



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Seed Manitoba 2026 - Barley Comparison

Variety	Site Years Tested	Yield bu/ac	Protein %	Relative Maturity +/- 88 days	Height +/- 89cm	Test Weight +/- 48.7lb/bu	Awns Rough or Smooth	Resistance Level:								
								Lodging	Loose Smut	Surface Borne Smut	Root Rot	Netted Net Blotch	Spotted Net Blotch	Spot Blotch	Stem Rust	FHB
AAC Stockton (2R)	31	118	12.3	+1	-2	0	R	G	R	R	---	I	I	I	R	MR
AB Advantage (6R)	30	109	13.2	+1	+15	0	S	VG	MR	I	---	MS	I	I	I	S
CDC Austenson (2R)	105	116	12.2	+1	0	+0.5	R	G	S	R	I	MS	R	MR	I	I
CDC Churchill (2R)*	46	114	12.3	+1	-5	-0.2	R	G	MS	MR	---	MR	MR	I	MR	MS
CDC Durango (2R)	29	114	12.4	+2	-3	+0.1	R	VG	S	R	---	MR	MS	I	I	I
CDC Renegade (2R)	29	107	12.6	+1	+7	-0.3	S	F	I	MR	---	MS	MR	MS	MR	MR
Esma (2R) VUA	30	115	12.1	+1	-10	-0.4	---	G	R	NT	---	MS	MS	MS	NT	I
KWS Kellie (2R) VUA	29	107	12.0	1	-11	-1.5	---	P	R	NT	---	MS	MS	MS	NT	I

Lodging Ratings: F=Fair; G=Good; VG=Very Good Disease Ratings: R=Resistant; MR=Moderately Resistant; I=Intermediate; MS=Moderately Susceptible; S=Susceptible, NT = Not tested

2026 Saskatchewan Varieties of Grain - Barley Comparison

Variety	Years Tested	# Rows	Awn Type	Yield (% of AAC Synergy)		Relative Maturity	Height (cm)	Resistance to-----									
				Area 1 & 2	Area 3 & 4			Lodging	Netted Net Blotch	Spotted Net Blotch	Spot Blotch	Scald	Loose Smut	Other Smuts	Root Rot	Stem Rust	FHB
AAC Synergy	7	2	R	100	100	M	76	F	MR	R	R	S	S	I	I	MR	I
AAC Stockton	5	2	R	102	102	M	74	F	I	I	I	S	R	R	---	R	MR
AB Advantage	7	6	S	103	100	VL	92	VG	MS	I	I	I	MR	I	---	I	S
CDC Austenson	7	2	R	102	103	M	76	G	MS	R	MR	S	S	R	I	I	I
CDC Churchill*	7	2	R	105	104	M	71	G	MR	MR	I	S	MS	MR	---	MR	MS
CDC Durango	7	2	R	105	107	M	75	VG	MR	MS	I	MS	S	MR	---	I	I
CDC Renegade	5	2	S	103	96	M	92	F	I	MR	MS	S	MS	MR	---	MR	MR
Esma VUA	5	2	R	103	98	M	64	G	MS	MS	MS	S	R	---	---	---	I
KWS Kellie VUA	5	2	R	102	96	L	62	G	MS	MS	MS	I	R	---	---	---	I

M=Medium; L=Late; F=Fair; G=Good; VG=Very Good; P=Poor; VP=Very Poor Disease Ratings: R=Resistant; MR=Moderately Resistant; I=Intermediate; MS=Moderately Susceptible; S=Susceptible

2026 Alberta Seed Guide – Feed and Food Barley Comparison

Variety	2 or 6 Row	Awn Type	Most Recent Year of Testing	Station Years	Yield % AAC Synergy			Maturity Days +/- AAC Synergy	Test Weight lb/bu	TKW (g)	Height (cm)	Resistance to Lodging	Disease Tolerance						
					Overall Yield	Low <113 (bu/ac)	High >113 (bu/ac)						Loose Smut	Other Smuts	Scald	Spot Form Net blotch	Net Form Net Blotch	Spot Blotch	FHB
AAC Synergy (bu/ac)					124	85	149												
AAC Synergy	2	R	2025	177	100	100	100	93	53	49	81	F	S	I	S	R	MR	R	I
AAC Stockton	2	R	2025	44	103	102	103	0	53	50	80	F	R	R	S	I	I	I	MR
AB Advantage	6	S	2020	32	103	99	104	+2	52	48	102	G	MR	I	I	I	MS	I	S
AB Tofield	6	S	2021	24	104	101	106	+1	52	43	84	G	MR	MR	I	I	MS	I	S
CDC Austenson	2	R	2025	156	101	98	103	+2	54	49	81	G	S	R	S	R	MS	R	I
CDC Churchill*	2	R	2024	57	104	102	104	+2	53	46	77	G	MS	MR	S	MR	MR	I	MS
CDC Durango	2	R	2023	45	107	101	110	+2	54	50	79	VG	S	R	MS	MS	MR	I	I
CDC Renegade	2	S	2022	26	102	109	97	+4	52	52	90	F	I	MR	S	MR	I	MS	MR
Esma VUA	2	R	2022	26	110	114	107	+3	52	51	69	VG	R	XX	S	MS	MS	MS	I
KWS Kellie VUA	2	R	2022	26	114	121	110	+5	52	50	66	VG	R	XX	I	MS	MS	MS	I

R=Rough; VG=Very Good, G=Good, F=Fair; P=Poor; VP=Very Poor; Disease Ratings: R=Resistant; MR=Moderately Resistant; I=Intermediate; MS=Moderately Susceptible; S=Susceptible, NT = Not tested

*Malting barley for comparison

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