## Westminster

## Strong favourite across livestock regions



Market Options: Feed

Although Westminster is now outclassed on yield, the variety continues to produce very competitive yields on-farm and offers good agronomic attributes, which growers appreciate. Tall, stiff straw with brackling resistance, combined with very good disease resistance and grain quality, makes the variety ideal to grow on the less intensive farm holdings within the UK.

Westminster is one of a few varieties with a very high specific weight. This attribute, combined with low sieving losses, makes an ideal variety in the feed spring barley sector.

# **Strengths**

- Long, stiff straw, suited to livestock holdings
- Proven and reliable, an old favourite
- High specific weight and low sieving losses
- Good lodging and brackling resistance
- High resistance to Ramularia, Rhynchosporium and mildew
- Bold grain

#### **Technical Information**





Westminster's excellent resistance to mildew and Rhynchosporium offers growers real opportunities to reduce fungicide input and to grow the variety in areas of the country where these diseases predominate. In Scottish trials, Westminster has shown a high level of resistance to abiotic leaf spotting and good resistance to Ramularia.

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	WESTMINSTER	Waggon	Concerto
TREATED YIELD			
UK	91	97	94
East	-	96	95
West	91	97	95
North	91	98	93
UNTREATED YIELD	80	82	80

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Specific Weight (kg/hl)	69.8	67.2	68.8
Lodging Resistance (No PGR)	6.9	7.3	6.3
Height (cm) No PGR	83	76	79
Ripening (days +/- Concerto)	-1	-2	0
Resistance to Brackling	7.1	7.3	7.5

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Mildew	(9)	(9)	8
Yellow Rust	(8)	(7)	8
Brown Rust	6	5	5
Rhynchosporium	7	3	4





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Ramularia	7	8	6

# **Experts Advice**

**Grower Comment:** "There are newer, higher yielding varieties available now, but we have come to rely on Westminster as a consistent and reliable variety." *Mr Graham Westacott, WG & TA Manford, Kent.* 



