

NORPRO DESCRIPTION

Norpro is a hard red spring wheat bred and developed by AgriPro Wheat. Norpro is an intermediate semidwarf with medium-early maturity, high test weight and very good straw strength. Norpro offers moderate resistance to the prevalent races of leaf rust and stem rust. It has very good protection to foliar diseases. Norpro has medium-high protein levels and satisfactory milling and baking characteristics. It is broadly adapted to the spring wheat growing areas of North and South Dakota, Minnesota and Montana. Preliminary data suggests that it is also adapted to the spring wheat growing areas of the Pacific Northwest.

Juvenile growth habit is erect. Seedling anthocyanin is present. Plant color at boot stage is blue green. Auricle anthocyanin and auricle hairs are present. Flag leaf at boot stage is recurved and twisted. Waxy bloom is present on the head, stem and flag leaf sheath. Anther color is yellow. Head shape is strap and awned. Glumes are glabrous, wide in width and short in length with square shoulders and acuminate beaks. Seed shape is ovate. Brush hairs are medium in length and medium in area. Seed crease depth is midwide and width is middeep. Seed cheeks are angular.

Norpro has been uniform and stable since 1995. About .8% of the plants were rogued for the initial Breeder's Seed increase in 1996. Approximately 90% of the rogued variant plants were 5 to 15 cm. taller plants. Up to 1% variant plants may be encountered in subsequent generations.