

'Salute' Variety Description

Salute is a soft white winter wheat bred and developed by AgriPro Wheat. Salute is a medium height semidwarf variety and has white chaff at maturity. It has medium-early maturity and good straw strength. Salute is best adapted to higher rainfall dryland production in Eastern Washington, West-central Idaho and Northeastern Oregon and dryland production along the Highway 2 corridor of Washington.

Juvenile growth habit is semi-erect. Plant color at boot stage is blue green. Anther color is yellow. Auricle anthocyanin and auricle hairs are present. Flag leaf at boot stage is erect and twisted. Head shape is strap and awned. Glumes are long in length and wide in width. Glume shoulder shape is oblique with long acuminate beaks. Chaff color is white at maturity. Seed shape is ovate to elliptical. Brush hairs on the seed are long in length and occupy a large area of the seed tip. Seed depth is shallow and width is narrow. Seed cheeks are rounded.

Salute has been uniform and stable since 2005. Less than 0.8% of the plants were rogued from the Breeder seed increase in 2006. Approximately 98% of the variant plants were taller height wheat plants and approximately 2% were awnletted wheat plants.

AgriPro Wheat maintains seed stock and certified classes of Foundation, Registered and Certified. Registered and certified seed stocks of Salute will be available in the fall of 2007. Certified acreage is not to be published by AOSCA and certifying agencies. Plant Variety Protection is anticipated in the Fall of 2007 and Salute may only be sold as a class of Certified seed.