NW 63 - Red Mexican (Phaseolus vulgaris)

NW 63 is immune to Bean Virus 1 and New York 15 strains of Bean Common Mosaic virus, but susceptible to the western strain. It is also immune to Curly Top virus (Ruga verrucosous) and more resistant to Fusarium root rot (Fusarium solani f. phaseoli) than others of this class. NW 63 is one of the first Red Mexican cultivars combining early maturity, short plants and resistance to Fusarium root rot.

Plants of NW 63 are similar to Sutter Pink, with darker green foliage and pods set high in the plant. Seeds are uniform, typical Red Mexican color, but shaped like a pink bean.

The maturity is similar to Sutter Pink or 90 days and tends to mature a few days earlier than NW 59.

Yields have been superior to other Red Mexican types, especially where Fusarium root rot prevails. The quality of NW 63 is similar to NW 59, UI 36 and Sutter Pink. Threshing care must be taken, similar to NW 59, UI 36 and Sutter Pink, especially if too dry.

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