

RUFUS - RED MEXICAN
(Phaseolus vulgaris)

Rufus is a Red Mexican type dry bean, widely grown in the Columbia Basin of Central Washington state. The foliage is medium-green with medium pink flowers that appear approximately 52 days from planting. Early seedling vigor is very outstanding and resistant to Fusarium root rot. (*Fusarium solani* f. *phaseoli*). Rufus is resistant to Curly Top virus (*Ruga verrucosus*), Bean Common Mosaic virus (BCMV) and tolerant to Sclerotinia Wilt, (*Sclerotinia sclerotiorum*).

The appearance and quality of Rufus is equal or superior to other commercially grown Red Mexican types, such as UI 34, UI 35 and UI 36. The seeds are similar in size to the other standard Red Mexican types, also, but with somewhat more depth.

Rufus has a superior yielding ability compared to others of its type, due to the resistance to Fusarium root rot. It is well adapted to both irrigated and non-irrigated environments.

Maturity:	95 days to dry seed
Plant Height:	17 inches (43 cm.)
Plant Width:	15 inches (38 cm.)
Pod Length:	5½ inches (13.9 cm.)
Seeds:	5 per pod
	1,560 per pound

Rufus was developed and introduced by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.