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Description of Triticale Variety "336"

Triticale "336" is a hexaploid winter-type triticale bred by Resource Seeds, Inc. for grazing, silage, boot-stage hay, and grain production. It is most similar in appearance to the variety, Presto. Both are awned and mid-maturity. "336" has moderately waxy straw and spike, while Presto is glossier. The leaves of Presto attach to the stem at a fairly horizontal angle, while those of "336" form a more upright angle. Both "336" and Presto have hairy necks, the hairiness extending one to two cm farther down the stem of Presto than "336".

"336" is green at booting, with leaves that are glossy and semi-upright. The flag leaf is generally erect and twisted, although the flag leaf of about 20% of the plants may not appear twisted. Spikes are mid-dense and brown to very light brown at maturity. Glumes are glabrous, long, and mid-wide. It has been noted during seed multiplication that taller variants (approximately 20 to 25 cm taller), including a variant with white chaff, can be found at a frequency of up to 1%. Other variants include trace amounts (less than 0.1%) awnless, awnleted, and spikes with inverted or curled awns.