

‘WB9668’

(Exp. # BZ908-552)
Hard Red Spring Wheat

Description for Crop Improvement

‘WB 9668, exp # BZ908-552, is a medium maturity, semi-dwarf, hard red spring wheat derived by WestBred, a Unit of Monsanto from the cross ‘Espresso/WB-Idamax. The spike of ‘WB 9668’, exp # BZ908-552 is awned, with white chaff at maturity. The spike is mid-dense, strap shaped and inclined at maturity. The stem, head and leaves have a waxy bloom. There is no anthocyanin in the stem or auricles. Hair is present on the auricle. Typically there are 3 nodes and the internodes are hollow.

The glumes are white at maturity, wide and long in length, and have a narrow oblique shoulder. The beak is acuminate and short in length. There is no pubescence on the glume.

The seed of ‘WB 9668’, exp # BZ908-552 is hard, red and ovate in shape with a medium germ. The cheeks are rounded and the crease is mid-deep and medium in width. The brush is large and is not collared and the brush hair is long in length.

‘WB 9668’, exp # BZ908-552, may contain the following variant wheat types:

- a. White seed at a frequency of up to 20/10,000 seeds.
- b. Plants that are one to two heads taller at a frequency of up to 10 plants/10,000.

Otherwise, no other variants are known to occur and ‘WB 9668’, exp # BZ908-552 is a stable and uniform variety in appearance and performance.

Application to the Plant Variety Protection will be made for ‘WB 9668’, exp # BZ908-552 and the Title IV option will not be chosen.

