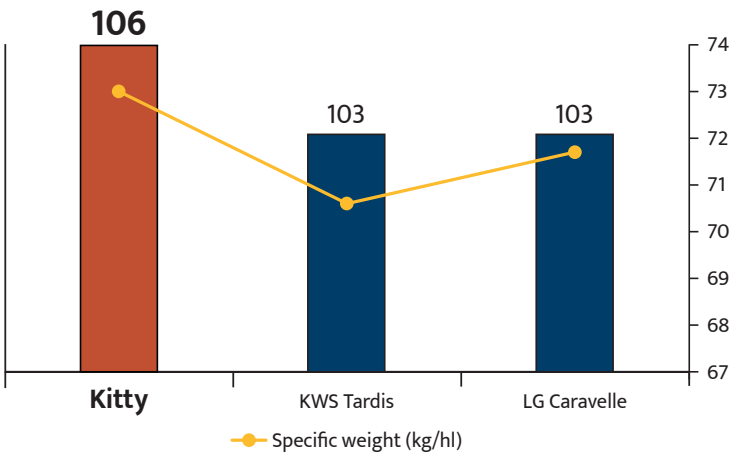
Kitty
WINTER BARLEY

AHDB RECOMMENDED

Kitty embodies everything a winter barley grower looks for in a variety.

Having proven itself as a strong performer in all regions, Kitty is an ever-growing popular choice for growers, especially in the North. Boasting the highest specific weight of any variety on the RL combined with very stiff straw and good resistance to brackling, Kitty can stand up to the challenges of a difficult season. Kitty has a moderate to fast speed of development growth habit which allows for the variety to be drilled as early as the first week in September. Supported by a solid disease package, with excellent resistance to rhynchosporium and net blotch, Kitty also has dual strain resistance to BaYMV 1 & 2.

TREATED YIELD – NORTH	as % C, 10.8 t/ha



REGIONAL YIELDS	UK (9.8 t/ha)	East (9.5 t/ha)	West (9.6 t/ha)
Kitty	**103**	**103**	**[101]**
KWS Tardis	103	103	101
LG Caravelle	105	107	105

SOIL TYPE	Light (10.2 t/ha)	Heavy (8.9 t/ha)
Kitty	**103**	**104**
KWS Tardis	103	105
LG Caravelle	104	107

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GRAIN QUALITY	
Specific weight (kg/hl)	73.0
Screenings % (<2.25mm)	1.5
Screenings % (<2.5mm)	4.2

AGRONOMICS	
Resistance to lodging (-PGR)	[8]
Resistance to lodging (+PGR)	8
Straw height (cm) -PGR	95
Straw height (cm) +PGR	87
Brackling %	4
Ripening (days ± LG Caravelle)	+2

DISEASE RESISTANCE	
Mildew	6
Brown rust	5
Rhynchosporium	7
Net Blotch	6
BaYMV1 and BaMMV	R
BaYMV2	R

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ANNUAL YIELDS	2023 (10.0 t/ha)	2024 (9.9 t/ha)	2025 (10.0 t/ha)
Kitty	**105**	**103**	**102**
KWS Tardis	103	103	102
LG Caravelle	105	105	105

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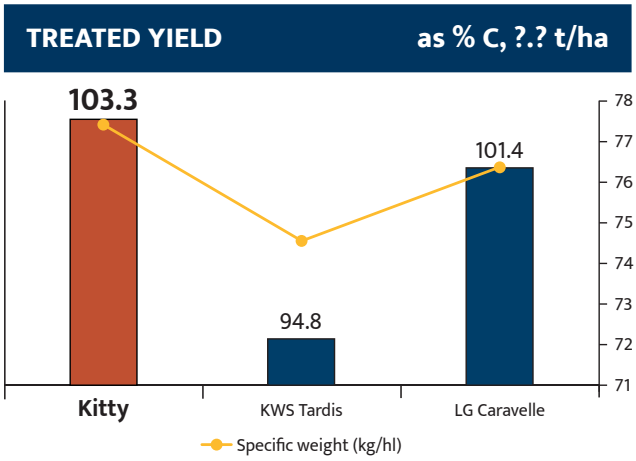
Frontier Trials H2025



Frontier AHDB RL Trial H2025, Haywold

BaYMV

BaYMV is a soil borne virus which infects winter barley, disseminated through contaminated soil. Chemical control is not possible, therefore it is important to grow resistant cultivars in contaminated fields. The gene rym4 is efficient and is widely deployed in European winter barley cultivars and most varieties on the RL. This gives resistance to BaYMV1.

A second strain of the virus is overcoming the rym4 resistance in France and Germany and now the UK.

Varieties with the rym5 gene are resistant to this strain.

Effects of BaYMV

- Yield loss – up to 40% reported
- Higher screenings
- Lower specific weight
- Lower protein content
- Lower extract if a malting type.

Why grow Kitty?

- Rym5 resistance – Protection from both BaYMV strains 1 and 2
- We have three of the only RL strain 1 and 2 resistant varieties – Kitty, Valerie and Darcie
- Kitty offers greater protection to BaYMV, with the benefit of a superb specific weight, very high yields, good agronomics and disease resistance.

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