

Recommended list of sugar beet varieties 2026

(Based on trials from 2022 - 2024)

Note: All data has been extracted from the 2025 BBRO Sugar Beet Recommended List, available at <https://bbro.co.uk/sugar-beet-varieties/recommended-list/> unless otherwise stated.

Rz1 RHIZOMANIA VARIETIES																												
					BTS 1915	Antler	Katjana KWS	Harryetta KWS	Daphna	Chyma KWS	Gadwall	Annatina KWS	Josephina KWS	Hoopoe	Asian	Morgan	Magpie	BTS 3610	ST Tweed	Button	Osprey	Smart Uma KWS	Generosa KWS	BTS Smart 9485	Smart Vesnica KWS	Smart Nelda KWS	Maruscha KWS	
Status: (C) = control variety ¹					Y6(C)	Y1	Y5(C)	Y4(C)	Y9(C)	Y2	Y1	Y4(C)	Y2	Y1	Y1	Y4	Y2	Y4	SY2	Y4	Y3	SY2	SY1	SY4	SY3	SY1	SY5	
AYPR/BCN/ALS/VY as claimed by the Breeder					-	-	BCN	BCN	BCN	CERC	-	-	-	BCN	-	-	-	-	V	BCN	AYPR	ALS	V	ALS	ALS	ALS/BCN	V	
CROP YIELDS ²		MEAN		SE	95% lsd																							
Adjusted Tonnes % of C=100% ³		99.1 t/ha	100.0	1.23	3.4	101.4	100.6	99.9	99.8	99.6	99.4	99.4	99.3	98.4	97.7	97.3	96.8	96.7	96.6	96.6	95.4	94.9	94.1	92.6	91.6	91.1	89.5	87.3
Sugar Yield % of C=100% ³		15.9 t/ha			3.4	101.4	100.6	99.9	99.8	99.6	99.4	99.4	99.3	98.4	97.7	97.3	96.8	96.7	96.6	96.6	95.4	94.9	94.1	92.6	91.6	91.1	89.5	87.3
Root Yield % of C = 100% ³		95.0 t/ha			3.3	102.2	99.4	98.9	100.6	100.3	99.5	99.1	98.1	96.2	98.3	97.1	96.1	96.2	96.1	96.5	95.7	94.4	93.1	90.2	93.0	90.0	86.4	86.7
Sugar Content %		16.7%			0.27	16.5	16.8	16.9	16.6	16.9	16.6	16.7	16.9	17.1	16.6	16.7	16.8	16.7	16.8	16.7	16.6	16.7	16.8	17.1	16.4	16.9	17.2	16.8
BOLTERS per 100,000 plants/ha		MEAN	95% lsd		99.9% lsd																							
“X” Unsuitable for sowing BEFORE Mid March					X					X						X		X				X	X	X	X	X	X	
“X” Unsuitable for sowing BEFORE Mid March (Breeder claim)																												
Early Sowing, before 5 March ⁴		2,206/ha	3,966		5,684	8,016	[3169]	1,871	1,805	2,573	7,260	[1904]	2,681	1,432	[3,365]	1,541	5,683	2,899	4,395	1,851	3,093	2,690	3,074	8,099	2,767	2,097	1,218	6,586
Normal Sowing		14/ha	-		117	30	0	19	14	0	14	0	9	0	0	0	33	33	19	57	9	21	38	14	0	0	14	26
EARLY ESTABLISHMENT ⁵			95% lsd																									
Control		100%	3.5%			101.8	100.3	99.8	100.8	100.6	100.4	101.6	97.1	98.7	99.0	100.8	100.7	100.4	98.9	96.3	98.8	100.0	97.8	95.4	94.6	100.9	97.4	98.2
TOTAL MEASURED IMPURITIES (IMP/100G SUGAR)			15% above mean of C	95% lsd																								
Control		3.60	4.14		0.188	3.86	3.51	3.33	3.56	3.68	3.72	3.60	3.56	3.39	3.47	3.45	3.29	3.47	3.44	3.36	3.44	3.42	4.01	3.45	3.40	3.88	3.41	3.86
DISEASE (1 = high leaf infection, 9 = very low leaf infection) ⁶			Average																									
Rust			5.0			6.6	[3.4]	3.8	3.9	4.9	7.0	[4.1]	6.0	6.2	[1.3]	[4.3]	4.1	4.2	6.0	5.1	5.1	5	7.4	[7.4]	5.6	6.3	[6.5]	6.4
Powdery Mildew			5.5			5.3	[3.5]	5.6	5.9	5.7	5.9	[5.7]	5.6	1.3	[3.6]	[5.8]	4.1	4.7	5.5	6.1	5.3	5	6.1	[5.5]	6.5	5.3	[5.8]	3.2
Cercospora			7.4			[8.0]	-	[7.4]	[7.3]	[7.9]	[8.5]	-	[6.6]	[7.9]	-	-	[7.4]	[8.2]	[7.7]	[8.0]	[6.8]	[7.9]	[7.6]	-	[5.2]	[7.5]	-	[8.6]
OTHER CLAIMS																												
AYPR (Aggressive rhizomania)						-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Y	-	-	-	-	-	-
ALS (Herbicide Tolerant)						-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Y	-	Y	Y	Y	-
BCN (as claimed by the Breeder)						-	-	Y	Y	Y	-	-	-	-	Y	-	-	-	-	-	Y	-	-	-	-	-	Y	-
V (as claimed by the Breeder) ⁷						-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	V	-	-	-	V	-	-	-	V
CERC (as claimed by the Breeder)						-	-	-	-	-	Y	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
RL SYSTEM																												
Year First Listed						2020	2025	2021	2022	2017	2024	2025	2022	2024	2025	2025	2022	2024	2022	2024	2022	2023	2024	2025	2022	2023	2025	2021
BREEDER/UK CONTACT ⁸																												
Breeder						BTS	SV	KWS	KWS	KWS	KWS	SV	KWS	KWS	SV	HH	STR	SV	BTS	STR	STR	SV	KWS	KWS	BTS	KWS	KWS	KWS
UK Agent						LG	SV	KWS	KWS	KWS	KWS	SV	KWS	KWS	SV	SV	STR	SV	LG	STR	STR	SV	KWS	KWS	LG	KWS	KWS	KWS