

# 'Bobcat' Winter Wheat

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Bobcat is a solid stemmed hard red winter wheat with improved yield potential (Tables 1, 2) relative to other solid stemmed varieties. Bobcat was developed by the Montana Agricultural Experiment Station and will be released to certified seed growers in fall 2019. Bobcat is a selection from a composite cross of 2 unreleased MT solid-stemmed experimental lines with an unreleased MT hollow-stemmed line. Bobcat is an awned, white-glumed, semi-dwarf wheat with medium to late maturity. Bobcat is the top performing line in locations where sawfly cutting has occurred (Table 2). Stem solidness is excellent, significantly higher than to Warhorse (Table 3). Bobcat has above average test weight and average protein, and average winter hardiness (Table 4). Bobcat is resistant to prevalent races of stripe and stem rust, but susceptible to leaf rust. Bobcat is a medium high PPO variety with above average mill and bake properties (Table 5). To be sold by variety name only as a class of certified seed. Montana State University Research Fees due on seed sold.

**Table 1. Yield of Bobcat vs. a set of varieties, 2015-2018<sup>1/</sup>**

Variety	Districts							All Locations
	1 Kalispell	2 Bozeman	3 Huntley <sup>2/</sup>	4 Moccasin <sup>3/</sup>	5 Conrad <sup>4/</sup>	5 Have <sup>5/</sup>	6- Sidney & Williston	
location-years	1	6	14	11	12	18	3	65
<b>Bobcat</b>	<b>94.1</b>	<b>100.0</b>	73.5	56.6	<b>69.7</b>	<b>60.3</b>	49.7	<b>67.9</b>
<b>Loma</b>	<b>87.6</b>	<b>102.7</b>	73.3	58.4	<b>68.6</b>	54.6	51.7	<b>66.7</b>
<b>Warhorse</b>	<b>92.0</b>	<b>93.4</b>	74.3	57.2	60.2	53.8	49.0	64.0
<b>Judee</b>	<b>94.5</b>	<b>93.2</b>	70.3	57.6	63.6	53.3	41.4	63.4
<b>Decade</b>	48.4	78.2	73.9	60.5	61.0	53.5	56.1	62.2
<b>LSD (0.05)</b>	<b>19.2</b>	<b>12.1</b>	ns	ns	<b>3.1</b>	<b>3.4</b>	ns	<b>2.4</b>

**bold** = indicates highest value within a column

ns = non-significant

**bold** = indicates varieties with values equal to highest variety within a column based on Fisher's Protected LSD (p =0.05)

1/ = includes 2017-2018 Intrastate and 2017-2018 Off Station, and 2015-2018 Sawfly tests

2/ includes data from Fort Smith, Hardin area, Hysham Molt, Rapelje

3/ includes data from Belt, Denton, Geraldine, Highway

4/ includes data from Choteau, Cut Bank, The Knees, Shelby

5/ includes data from Big Sandy, Gildford, Loma, Turner

**Table 2. Bobcat: Yield Performance under Sawfly Pressure (test average cutting ≥10%) and % Sawfly Cutting (2017-2018)**

Variety	Yield bu/a	Sawfly Cutting (%)
location-years	8	8
<b>Bobcat</b>	<b>60.0</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Loma</b>	<b>56.9</b>	32
<b>Brawl CLP</b>	<b>56.4</b>	35
<b>SY Monument</b>	<b>56.4</b>	53
<b>Northern</b>	55.3	51
<b>Yellowstone</b>	55.0	57
<b>Keldin</b>	54.8	53
<b>SY Clearstone 2CL</b>	54.7	61
<b>FourOsix</b>	53.6	58
<b>Judee</b>	53.2	40
<b>MTW1491</b>	53.0	61
<b>MT1265</b>	52.9	58
<b>SY Wolf</b>	52.8	39
<b>Decade</b>	52.4	45
<b>Ray</b>	52.2	53
<b>Warhorse</b>	51.3	7
<b>MTF1435</b>	50.1	49
<b>LSD (0.05)</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>15</b>

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**Table 3. Stem solidness ratings of Bobcat compared to other solid-stemmed varieties, (2015-2018)**

	Stem Solidness Rating (scale 5-25, higher = more solid)					Stem Solidness by location, 2015-2018				
	2018	2017	2016	2015	2015-18	Billings	Bozeman	Conrad	Havre <sup>1/</sup>	Moccasin
location-years	9	11	6	3	29	2	6	4	14	3
<b>Bobcat</b>	23.8	<b>22.8</b>	<b>22.3</b>	22.0	<b>22.9</b>	23.0	<b>22.6</b>	23.0	<b>23.1</b>	22.5
<b>Judee</b>	22.3	18.4	20.0	19.4	20.1	22.0	17.4	21.5	20.2	21.7
<b>Loma</b>	22.5	19.3	17.9	17.3	19.8	22.8	16.7	20.1	20.7	19.8
<b>Warhorse</b>	22.5	21.1	<b>21.4</b>	21.9	21.7	22.6	<b>20.5</b>	21.8	22.0	22.2
<b>LSD (0.05)</b>	ns	<b>1.3</b>	<b>2.0</b>	ns	<b>0.8</b>	ns	<b>2.3</b>	ns	<b>1.1</b>	ns

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<sup>1/</sup> includes Carter, Gildford, and Loma

**Table 4. Agronomic characteristics of Bobcat vs. a set of varieties, 2015-2018<sup>1/</sup>**

Variety	Test w eight lb/bu	Winter survival %	Heading date		Plant height in	Lodging %	Protein %	Stem solidness 5-25	Saw fly cutting %	Stripe rust %	Coleoptile length in
			Julian	Calendar							
location-years	63	1	26		62	6	65	29	17	5	1
<b>Bobcat</b>	<b>61.1</b>	52	159.5	9-Jun	27.6	<b>4</b>	12.6	<b>22.9</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	2.9
<b>Decade</b>	60.4	<b>69</b>	157.7	7-Jun	29.8	27	12.8	7.5	37	52	2.9
<b>Judee</b>	<b>61.3</b>	49	158.2	7-Jun	29.8	29	13.0	20.1	29	<b>6</b>	<b>3.7</b>
<b>Loma</b>	60.1	46	161.0	10-Jun	28.1	20	12.6	19.8	25	<b>6</b>	2.8
<b>Warhorse</b>	60.4	52	159.7	9-Jun	29.2	<b>15</b>	<b>13.2</b>	21.7	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>	3.2
<b>LSD (0.05)</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0.5</b>		<b>0.4</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>0.2</b>

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**Table 5. Mill and bake characteristics of Bobcat vs. a set of varieties, 2015-2018**

Variety	PPO <sup>1/</sup>	Kernel hardness	Flour			Mixograph			Baking		
			yield %	protein %	Ash %	tolerance (1-6)	mix time min	absorption %	mix time min	absorption %	volume cc
location-years	16	12	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16
<b>Bobcat</b>	0.290	69.2	<b>71.7</b>	<b>12.5</b>	<b>0.39</b>	<b>3.3</b>	6.6	<b>68.1</b>	15.5	<b>78.4</b>	1071
<b>Decade</b>	0.277	75.2	70.0	12.2	0.41	<b>3.1</b>	8.8	<b>69.0</b>	19.4	<b>79.0</b>	1070
<b>Judee</b>	0.259	78.4	70.3	<b>12.7</b>	<b>0.40</b>	<b>3.3</b>	5.9	66.0	9.5	75.9	<b>1153</b>
<b>Loma</b>	<b>0.160</b>	79.1	<b>71.7</b>	12.2	<b>0.40</b>	<b>3.2</b>	7.1	<b>67.6</b>	15.4	<b>78.2</b>	<b>1129</b>
<b>Warhorse</b>	0.264	87.5	69.6	<b>12.8</b>	0.42	2.4	4.9	67.1	8.1	77.1	1112
<b>LSD (0.05)</b>	<b>0.031</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.01</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>37</b>

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<sup>1/</sup> low is best for noodles