PBA Drummond Desi Chickpea (Central Qld ONLY)



For updated information after this date, please refer to NVT results

High yielding desi chickpea



MAIN ADVANTAGES

PBA Drummond^(b) is an improved desi chickpea for Central Queensland with significantly higher grain yield than all current varieties in this region. It has an improved level of Ascochyta blight resistance over current high yielding, susceptible varieties such as PBA Pistol⁽¹⁾, Kyabra⁽¹⁾ and Moti[⊕].

PBA Drummond⁽⁾ is an excellent agronomic package with good harvestability. It is tall, erect and lodging resistant and has been in advanced yield evaluation since 2013 in a diverse range of seasonal conditions. PBA Drummond has acceptable seed quality similar to PBA HatTrick® and equivalent dhal milling yield to current varieties.

SEED PROTECTION & ROYALTIES

PBA Drummond⁽¹⁾ is protected under Plant Breeder's Rights (PBR) legislation. Growers can only retain seed from their production of PBA Drummond[®] for their own

An end point royalty (EPR) of \$4.95 per tonne (GST inclusive), which includes breeder royalties, applies upon delivery of this variety.

Seed is available from the commercial partner Seednet.



KEY FEATURES

- Consistently high yielding across all areas of Central Queensland
- Ascochyta blight resistance better than PBA Pistol⁽⁾, Kyabra⁽⁾ and Moti⁽⁾ but not as good as PBA HatTrick®
- Tall, erect plant type
- Mid-Flowering and Early-Mid Maturity
- Medium sized desi seed suited to export markets

AREA OF ADAPTATION





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YIELD & ADAPTATION

PBA Drummond⁽⁾ is well adapted to all areas of Central Queensland (Region 1) where chickpeas are currently grown. Overall CQ yield averages from within Pulse Breeding Australia and National Variety Trials has shown PBA Drummond⁽⁾ to be 7%, 8% and 10% higher yielding than PBA Pistol⁽⁾, Kyabra⁽⁾ and PBA Seamer⁽⁾, respectively. Yield performance data has been obtained from 17 sites representing 5 diverse seasons from 2013–2017. PBA Drummond⁽⁾ is in NVT/Stage 3 yield trials in southern QLD and northern NSW in 2018 and yield data will be available at www.nvtonline.com.au

PBA Drummond⁽⁾ is not recommended for southern NSW, Victoria, South Australia or Western Australia chickpea growing regions where yields are lower than currently recommended varieties.

DISEASE MANAGEMENT

Ascochyta blight (AB)

Follow the general guidelines for reducing the risk of Ascochyta in 'Central & Coastal Queensland Ascochyta Blight Management' available from Pulse Australia.

- Results from yield loss trials and screening nurseries demonstrate that PBA Drummond[⊕] has better Ascochyta resistance than PBA Pistol[⊕], Kyabra[⊕] and Moti[⊕] but not as good as PBA HatTrick[⊕] (MS) or the best available resistance level in PBA Seamer[⊕] (MR).
- In most seasons in CQ, there will be no cost benefit of applying a fungicide before Ascochyta is detected.
- However, when conditions favour Ascochyta, a reactive foliar fungicide program and protective pod sprays are warranted. Monitor the crop 10–14 days after each rain event and if Ascochyta is detected, consult your agronomist.

Yield of desi chickpea in the Dawson Callide											
Variatio	Dawson Callide ¹	Yield as a % of PBA Pistol [⊕] and, in brackets, yield in t/ha									
Variety		5/6/13*	28/4/14*	18/5/15*	29/4/15*	22/5/16*	29/5/17*	17/5/17*			
Nearest town Row spacing (m)		Biloela 1.0	Banana 1.0	Jambin 0.72	Banana 1.0	Jambin 0.72	Jambin 0.5	Theodore 0.5			
PBA Drummond®	107	96 (2.19)	114 (2.37)	88 (2.18)	104 (3.40)	112 (3.52)	104 (2.04)	121 (2.46)			
PBA Pistol®	100	100 (2.27)	100 (2.08)	100 (2.49)	100 (3.28)	100 (3.13)	100 (1.97)	100 (2.03)			
Kyabra ⁽⁾	98	89	107	106	98	98	97	104			
PBA Seamer ⁽⁾	97	91	106	105	93	105	99	115			
Moti [⊕]	101	-	108	106	91	104	101	104			
PBA HatTrick®	94	80	91	99	88	96	90	97			
PBA Boundary®	97	87	106	107	89	98	-	-			
Probability, LSD (t/ha)		<0.001, 0.21	<0.001, 0.23	0.0579, 0.28	<0.001, 0.18	<0.001, 0.29	0.0176, 0.22	<0.001, 0.25			

Yield of desi chickpea in the Central Highlands												
Variety	Central	Yield as a % of PBA Pistol [⊕] and, in brackets, yield in t/ha										
Variety	H'lands ¹	15/5/13*	1/6/13*	7/5/14*	8/5/14*	15/5/14*	6/5/15*	13/5/16*	25/5/16*	31/5/16*	2/6/17*	
Nearest town Row spacing (m)		S'sure 1.0	Emerald 1.0	Capella 1.0	S'sure 1.0	Emerald 1.0	Emerald 1.0	S'sure 0.5	Emerald 0.5	Capella 0.5	Emerald 0.5	
PBA Drummond®	109	104 (2.34)	123 (3.33)	113 (2.21)	107 (2.25)	101 (2.72)	101 (1.82)	114 (3.02)	92 (3.5)	108 (2.19)	100 (3.02)	
PBA Pistol [⊕]	100	100 (2.26)	100 (2.71)	100 (1.96)	100 (2.1)	100 (2.69)	100 (1.8)	100 (2.65)	100 (3.79)	100 (2.03)	100 (3.03)	
Kyabra ^(b)	100	96	110	106	110	100	94	95	97	96	96	
PBA Seamer®	97	97	105	99	105	101	99	94	99	95	98	
Moti	101	98	-	108	110	103	101	100	97	100	92	
PBA HatTrick®	94	84	100	94	93	86	90	90	92	94	80	
PBA Boundary®	98	-	97	98	95	89	97	92	-	-	-	
Probability, LSD (t/ha)		0.0517, 0.22	<0.001, 0.24	<0.001, 0.21	0.0013, 0.21	<0.001, 0.43	<0.001, 0.16	<0.001, 0.28	<0.001, 0.19	<0.001, 0.24	<0.001, 0.28	

Source: Trial results from Pulse Breeding Australia (PBA) and National Variety Trial (NVT) programs (www.nvtonline.com.au). *Sowing date 1 Calculated by averaging the year group from the NVT online long term yield app for 5 Dawson Callide sites and 11 Central Highlands sites 2013–2017





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Botrytis grey mould (BGM)

- PBA Drummond⁽⁾ is rated as Susceptible (S) to BGM.
- A registered fungicide seed dressing is highly recommended for early control of seedling root rots, seed transmitted Ascochyta blight and Botrytis seedling disease. Monitor for BGM in spring as temperatures and humidity rise. Apply a current registered fungicide once BGM has been identified within the crop and before full canopy closure.
- Managing row spacing and sowing time can assist with risk levels.

Virus

 PBA Drummond is rated as Moderately Susceptible (MS) to the major chickpea viruses, similar to other varieties. This is based on limited data due to less than conducive virus years.

AGRONOMY

Agronomic characteristics

 PBA Drummond[®] flowers a few days later than PBA Pistol[®], Kyabra[®] and PBA Seamer[®].

Sowing

- Target the optimum planting window (last 3 weeks in May and 1st week in June for CQ) and avoid very early sowing to minimise the risk of lodging.
- Sow high quality seed at rates calculated to achieve 25 plants/m² establishment. Typically 60 to 75 kg/ha depending upon germination percentage, vigour and planting conditions.
- PBA Drummond⁽⁾ is able to be deep sown similarly to other PBA varieties.
- Inoculate with Group N Chickpea rhizobial inoculum.

Tolerance of abiotic stresses

 PBA Drummond[⊕] had lower vegetative frost damage than PBA Pistol[⊕] and Kyabra[⊕] at Warwick in 2016.

Herbicide tolerance

- PBA Drummond⁽⁾ has performed similarly to PBA HatTrick⁽⁾ to most registered pre- and post-emergent herbicides applied at recommended rates in screening nurseries on alkaline soils in SA.
- Avoid shallow planting depths and leaving open trench slots, particularly if rain is possible.

Agronomic traits of desi chickpea in Central Queensland									
Variety	Flowering (Flowering score ¹)	Maturity (Maturity score ¹)	Plant height (cm) (Erectness)	Lowest pod height (cm)	Lodging resistance (Lodging score²)	Frost score ³			
PBA Drummond ^(b)	Mid (6.7)	Early-Mid (4.7)	67.4 (E)	34.5	Good (3.3)	3.2			
PBA Pistol [⊕]	Early (3.5)	Early (3.5)	75.7 (E)	35.7	Good (3.5)	7.6			
Kyabra ⁽⁾	Early-Mid (5.0)	Early-Mid (4.6)	66.4 (E)	35.2	Good (4.2)	4.2			
PBA Seamer®	Early-Mid (5.7)	Early-Mid (4.6)	65.4 (Semi-E)	34.2	Good (3.2)	3.5			
Moti ⁽⁾	Early-Mid (–)	Early-Mid (3.9)	67.2 (E)	36.2	Good (3.0)	-			
PBA HatTrick ^(b)	Mid (6.1)	Mid (5.4)	63.2 (E)	34.1	Moderate (5.2)	-			
PBA Boundary ^(b)	Mid (6.7)	Mid (5.2)	68.4 (E)	37.2	Moderate (4.6)	_			

Source: Pulse Breeding Australia 2013–2017

1 Flower & Maturity score: 1 = very early, 9 = very late 2 Lodging score: 1 = fully erect, 9 = flat on ground

3 Frost score (post flowering): 1=low damage, 9=high damage. Frost data collected from Warwick, SQld 2016 (DAQ00193)

Disease resistance rating and yield loss of desi chickpea in north-eastern Australia										
Variated			Ascochy	Phytophthora root rot (PRR)⁵						
Variety ¹	AB	Yield t/ha⁴			% Yield loss			PRR	Yield t/ha⁴	% Yield loss
	Resistance rating³	2015	2016	2017	2015	2016	2017	Resistance rating	2015	2015
PBA Drummond®	S	0	0	0.88	100	100	53	S	0.15	95
PBA Pistol®	VS	not tested					S	not tested		
Kyabra [⊕]	VS	0	0	0.21	100	100	89	MS	not t	ested
PBA Seamer ^(b)	MR	1.47	1.92	1.68	24	45	7	MR	0.37	87
PBA HatTrick ^(b)	MS	0.24	0.08	1.58	87	98	6	MR	0.81	68
PBA Boundary®	MS	0.91	1.31	1.53	53	70	12	S	0.17	94

Source: NSW DPI and DAF Pulse pathology and PBA breeding teams

- 1 PBA Pistol[®] and Moti[®] are rated VS with similar AB yield loss as Kyabra[®]
- 2 Ascochyta blight yield loss trial, Tamworth 2015, 2016 and 2017, NSW DPI
- 3 Northern Region AB Rating Scale

4 Yields are in the presence of high disease with no fungicide applications 5 Phytophthora root rot yield loss trial, Warwick 2015, NSW DPI and DAF



PBA Drummond (D) Desi Chickpea (CQId ONLY)

SEED QUALITY

PBA Drummond⁽¹⁾ is a standard 'Indian' type desi chickpea with an angular seed shape and typical seedcoat colour. Seed size is comparable with PBA Seamer⁽¹⁾ and the majority of PBA Drummond⁽¹⁾ seed is retained by a 6.5 mm or 7 mm sieve. PBA Drummond⁽²⁾ is smaller than PBA Pistol⁽³⁾ (23.5) and Kyabra⁽⁴⁾ (22.8) at 21.7 grams/100 seeds.

In 14 trials 2013–2016, PBA Drummond⁽¹⁾ had significantly less tiger stripe/blotch seed coat markings than PBA Pistol⁽¹⁾ and similar levels to Kyabra⁽¹⁾ and PBA Seamer⁽²⁾.

Milling quality is equal to common varieties and the dahl is of similar colour, size and shape with the distinct dimpling required by Indian markets to differentiate it from field pea dahl. Whole seed hydration characteristics had similar properties to other varieties and hardseededness is not an issue.

Variety	Seed weight (g/100 seeds)	Tiger/blotch marking (%)	Milling performance (%)		
PBA Drummond®	21.7	1.6	51.0		
PBA Pistol®	23.5	5.7	50.7		
Kyabra⊕	22.8	1.7	50.1		
PBA Seamer ^(b)	21.5	1.1	48.6		
Moti [®]	23.7	0.8	-		
PBA HatTrick [⊕]	20.7	3.6	43.8		
PBA Boundary®	20.1	1.3	-		

Source: Pulse Breeding Australia.

100 Seed Weight (unsized) averaged over 15 CQ trials from 2013–2016 Seed Markings, count in 300 seeds as a %, 14 CQ trials 2013-2016 (courtesy of DAN00196)

Milling Performance % = Split Yield %, average of 2 CQ sites x 2 years (2013 and 2016)



PBA Drummond



PBA Pistol®

MARKETING

Favourable feedback on the seed quality of PBA Drummond⁽⁾ by both domestic and international traders has been received.

BREEDING

PBA Drummond⁽⁾ (evaluated as CICA1303) was developed by the PBA chickpea breeding program (led by NSW Department of Primary Industries) from a cross between PBA HatTrick⁽⁾ and PBA Pistol⁽⁾.



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PBA is an unincorporated joint venture between the GRDC, University of Adelaide, University of Sydney, SARDI, DEDJTR Victoria, NSW DPI, DAF (QLD), DPIRD WA and Pulse Australia.

PULSE AGRONOMY

Agronomy management information has been compiled from experiments conducted by the 'Northern Pulse Agronomy Initiative' project, co-funded by GRDC, NSW DPI, DAF (QLD) and QAAFI/UQ.

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