



# Latest wheat variety making its mark

SEEDNET is excited to reveal DS Pascal – the latest wheat variety for WA from Dow Seeds.

It is a high yielding, early season line with industry leading pre-harvest sprouting (PHS) tolerance.

It provides excellent yields with early sowing and can be pushed with additional nitrogen with reduced risk of lodging, and its excellent stand and harvest ability are combined with a strong disease and grain package.

DS Pascal has been classified Australian Premium White in WA, southern New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia.

It was included in the long season South East Premium Wheatgrowers Association (SEPWA) trials for the first time in 2016 and the variety delivered very good results at Hopetoun and Wintenoona Hills.

Dow Seeds wheat development manager Ant Mitchell said results from DS Pascal presented potential for early sowing.

“When planted in the correct sowing window, we have seen promising yield results from WA, where DS Pascal suits early sowing opportunities,” Mr Mitchell said.

DS Pascal exhibits market-leading PHS tolerance and was highlighted in the 13th International Symposium on PHS in Perth last year.

To date, Australian white-grained



wheats demonstrate low PHS tolerance, resulting in widespread economic losses to the entire supply chain in some years.

Although new to the WA market, DS Pascal had an exceptionally good first commercial crop in the east last season.

Farmer from north of Wagga Wagga, NSW, John Pattison said he was looking forward to seeing the potential of DS Pascal.

“DS Pascal is pretty exciting, actually phenomenal, and we are

very, very pleased with it, we plan to grow some more,” Mr Pattison said.

John Anderson, an agronomist from Marrar, NSW, said that DS Pascal had been better than other wheat varieties.

“DS Pascal in our trials was 1-1.3 tonnes per hectare better than Lancer,” Mr Anderson said.

“DS Pascal averaged 7.8 tonnes a hectare in dryland conditions, so it performed really well.

“We did a falling number test:

DS Pascal was more than 500, Lancer was in the low 400s.

“A few blokes are having trouble with falling numbers this season, especially after rain in spring and DS Pascal came back really well.”

Andrew Morrison, a farmer from Teesedale, Victoria, grew Phantom and DS Pascal last year and found that DS Pascal grew much better throughout the season.

“It wasn’t until stem elongation, when we had some rain, that the Phantom in all our paddocks

became lodged,” Mr Morrison said.

“DS Pascal was standing up very erect and strong – it was sitting up through to harvest, so we didn’t need to go down to the ground as we did with Phantom.

“Phantom yielded 5.07t/ha and Pascal 5.76t/ha, which is a yield increase of 13.5 per cent, some of which would have been due to the lodging.”

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## NEW early planting APW wheat from Dow Seeds

### DS Pascal

- Long season spring variety
- APW Classification
- Market leading pre-harvest sprouting tolerance
- Very high yield potential with early planting
- Compact plant type with good standability
- Strong disease resistance and grain size package



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