



## UPDATE TO MBC APPROVED LIST HARVEST 2024

The Malting Barley Committee held its Autumn 2023 meeting to discuss the progress of new varieties within the testing system, and to review the commercial position of existing approved varieties.

The outcome, following breeder confirmation not to pursue this variety for malting, was: **Sun King** is removed from the MBC Approved List (Provisional Approval 1) for Brewing use.

The Non-GN Winter variety **SY Vessel** was granted Special Use Provisional Approval 1 for Malt Distilling.

The Special Use category was agreed by the MBC at the Spring 2023 meeting. This currently includes Fairing for Grain Distilling use, but will be expanded as varieties with unique traits are selected through the MBC evaluation process. The special use category represents varieties that are unlikely to command a large market share but are of importance to certain sectors and uses within the malting, brewing and distilling supply chain. The MBC protocol is being revised to reflect this change to the Approved List.

Please note that the award of Full or Provisional Approval to a variety does not infer immediate acceptance for use by all malting, brewing and distilling companies. Growers are advised to ensure they have an end user outlet before sowing newly listed and/or Special Use varieties.

For regional and agronomic information on malting barley varieties the current AHDB Recommended List should be consulted: [Recommended Lists for cereals and oilseeds \(RL\) | AHDB](#)

## MALTING BARLEY COMMITTEE APPROVED LIST HARVEST 2024

	Winter Varieties for Brewing Use	Spring Varieties for Brewing Use	Spring Varieties for Malt Distilling Use	Varieties for Special Use
<b>Full Approval</b>	Flagon Craft Electrum	Laureate RGT Planet LG Diablo Skyway	Laureate KWS Sassy LG Diablo Firefoxx	Fairing – Grain Distilling
<b>Provisional Approval 2</b>				
<b>Provisional Approval 1</b>	Buccaneer	SY Signet SY Tennyson	Diviner SY Tennyson	SY Vessel – Malt Distilling