

Alpena Navy Bean

Genetic and Agronomic Information

Alpena was developed by Michigan State University AgBioResearch and released in 2014. Alpena is an upright, mid-season cultivar with uniform dry down and excellent canning quality. Alpena combines high yield potential with erect architecture (type II upright short vine) with high pod placement and excellent dry down at harvest.

Alpena has resistance to lodging and high pod placement making it suitable for direct harvesting under narrow row production systems. The upright architecture also contributes to avoidance of white mold. Alpena carries the single dominant hypersensitive I gene form of resistance to Bean Common Mosaic Virus (BMCV). Alpena produces seed that meet industry standards for packaging and possesses excellent canning quality.

Marketing

Plant variety protection (PVP94) under Title V has been applied for. Seed of Alpena navy bean can only be sold by variety name as a class of certified seed. Authorized seed classes will be breeder, foundation, and certified. Alpena navy bean is marketed and sold by members of the Michigan Crop Improvement Association through an licensing agreement. A royalty fee will be assessed on each unit of seed sold. Zenith seed will be inspected and certified by MCIA inspectors to insure a high quality product.

For more information or a list of producers, please contact your local seed dealer or the MCIA office at:

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