



Coming in at top of the list!



KWS TELEGRAM

Spring Yellow (White) Pea



- Highest yielding pea on the 2026 Descriptive List
- Good combination of field yield and protein yield
- Good disease package including resistance to Pea wilt

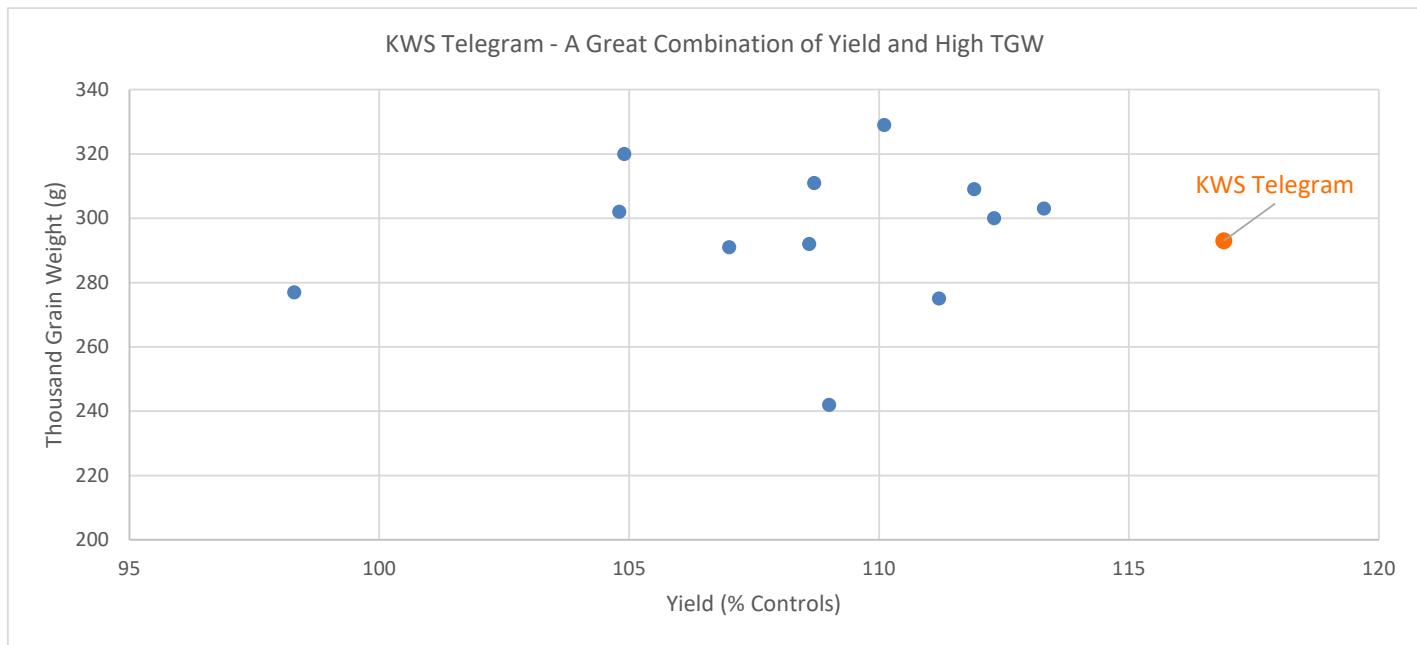
KWS Telegram makes an impressive debut on the Descriptive List this spring, going straight to the top of the yellow pea yield rankings at 117% of controls. Alongside outstanding yield performance, it delivers the large grain size preferred by end users, with an impressive 293g TGW.

In harvest 2025, KWS Telegram achieved 114% of controls, demonstrating strong performance even in a challenging, dry season. With medium maturity and good standing ability through to harvest, it also offers a robust disease profile, including resistance to pea wilt and a Downey Mildew score of 6. KWS Telegram is also the only variety on the Descriptive List with reported resistance to Bean Yellow Mosaic Virus.



What makes KWS TELEGRAM the pea variety for you?

KWS Telegram has an excellent combination of yield and large grain helping to widen the markets to sell into.



KWS TELEGRAM end-use and seed quality

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Seed Characteristics	
Protein Content (% dry)	22.7
Thousand Seed Weight (g)	262

KWS Telegram is an attractive variety to the supply chain thanks good protein content and bold grain.

Disease resistance and agronomy of KWS TELEGRAM



Resistance to	KWS TELEGRAM
Pea wilt (Race 1)	R
Downy Mildew (1-9)	6
Powdery Mildew*	[S]

Straw Length (cm)
81

Standing ability at harvest
7

Earliness of maturity
5



Grain peas as crops of the future: sustainable, regional and rich in protein!

With sustainable farming practices firmly in UK growers' minds, many growers are aware of the benefits of including peas in their rotation. Their environmental credentials are clear - being leguminous they require no nitrogen, making them a cost-effective crop to grow along with their ability to boost insect biodiversity and increase in microbial soil activities. In addition, like beans a pea crops helps boost soil fertility, leaving residual nitrogen for the following crops, so offering growers the chance to add resilience into their rotations.

Their attractive package for UK farmers don't stop there. As a spring crop, the continuing reduction of winter oilseed plantings, coupled with this autumn's poor weather creates a huge opportunity for spring peas. In addition, the alternative protein market is one that is developing globally at a fast pace and export opportunities remain good an example being that exports to Japan have increased by 250% in the last 10 years.

There are 3 main types of combinable peas grown in the UK

1. Green peas (also known as large blue) which are the most popular dried pea type grown in the UK for canning (for use in soups and stews) and the snack market. They are regularly micronized (roasted, cracked and rolled) for pet foods

2. Yellow peas (also known as whites) are grown for splitting, whole processing and milling processes. Whilst relatively small in area of the UK, they are the most widely produced pulse in the world.
3. Marrowfat peas are used in canning (mushy peas), snack foods and as ingredients in foodstuffs. This is a premium-led market.

KWS have been in the seed business for many years and in recent years, we've used our R&D resources to turn the spotlight on protein crops with a new approach. Not only do we have dedicated pea breeding programmes to provide suitable products for UK farmers, but we're also looking for novel markets such as milk and yoghurt alternatives based on pea proteins.



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