**Jabal Durum Wheat**

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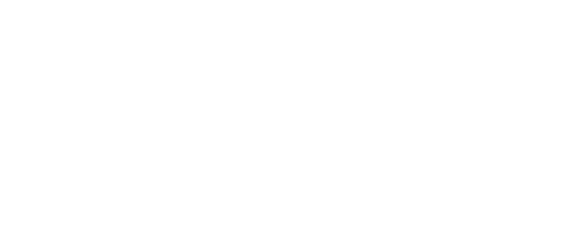
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**🙌 Your support to promote and share through your networks is greatly appreciated.**

**Hashtags:** #BOLDcwr #JabalWheat

**Mentions**: @CropTrust @ICARDA

**Campaign page:** https://bit.ly/3gLnPx5



**About this toolkit**

Jabal is a drought-tolerant variety of durum wheat developed together by scientists and farmers in a decades-long project. It has finally been released for cultivation in Morocco.

This toolkit was developed to enlist our partners, funders, interested organizations and individuals in **amplifying Jabal’s key messages and in generating conversations online**. We’ve developed social media messaging to make it easy for you to share our content and engage your audiences online.

**Key messages**

You can use this language when speaking about Jabal variety and its launch:

* The new “Jabal” variety was made by crossing cultivated durum wheat with one of its wild relatives, collected in Syria.
* Jabal, which means “mountain” in Arabic, was singled out by farmers in consultations with crop breeders because it adapted so well to drought, a common stress in its main cultivation areas.
* Durum wheat is grown primarily to produce pasta, but is also used for making couscous and bulgur, which are particularly popular in North Africa and the Middle East.
* Jabal was developed under the [Crop Trust](https://www.croptrust.org/)’s [Crop Wild Relatives Project](https://www.croptrust.org/work/projects/crop-wild-relatives/) and durum wheat is one of the crops that will continue to receive support from the follow-up [Biodiversity for Opportunities, Livelihoods and Development (BOLD) Project](https://www.croptrust.org/fileadmin/uploads/croptrust/wp/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Crop-Trust-BOLD-Project-Six-pager.pdf), a 10-year effort funded by the Government of Norway and led by the Crop Trust.
* The Crop Trust’s partners are using crop diversity to develop resilient varieties of barley, durum wheat, grasspea, alfalfa, finger millet, rice and potato that can withstand the effects of climate change.

**Social media messaging**

Feel free to copy and paste messaging below directly into your social media account, or adapt as needed.

**When you post:**

* Please use the BOLD Project hashtag and the Jabal hashtag:
  + #BOLDcwr
  + #JabalWheat
  + Tag @CropTrust and @ICARDA on Twitter
  + Tag @globalcropdiversitytrust and @icarda on Facebook
  + Tag @CropTrust and @icarda\_cgiar on Instagram

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