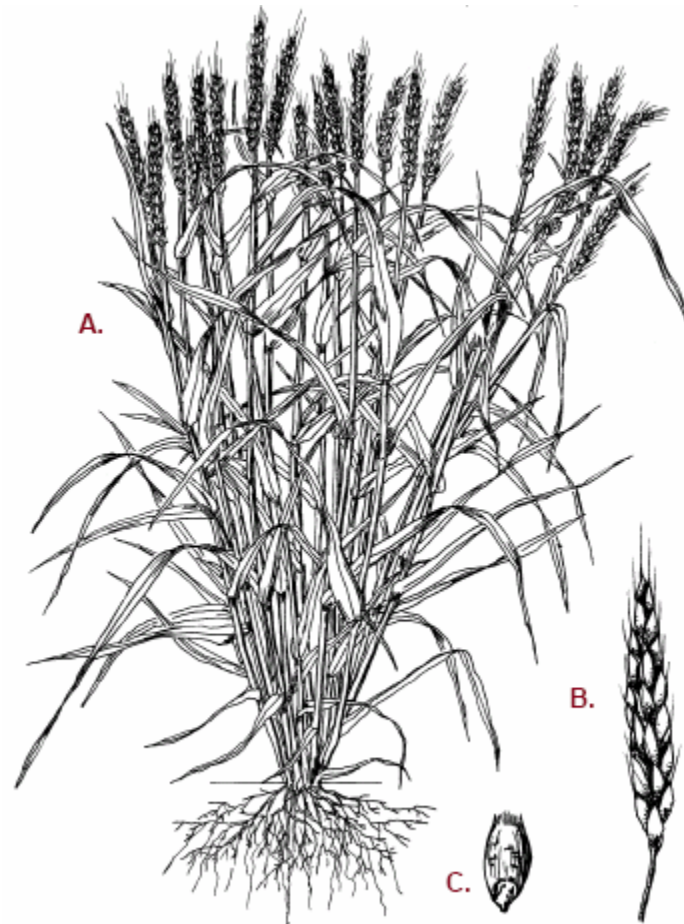


Wheat



A. Wheat Plant

Wheat is an annual grass plant that grows 2 to 4 feet tall. The plants have long and narrow green leaves that turn golden as harvest nears.

B. Wheat Head and Kernels

The wheat head contains kernels or seeds, and is located at the top of the plant stem. Kernels are the only part of the wheat plant used for human food. Each wheat head contains 15 to 45 kernels, with 27 to 30 kernels as the most common.

C. Wheat Kernels (Seeds)

Wheat kernels are very small with 12,000 to 20,000 seeds per pound. A bushel of wheat weighs about 60 pounds and contains about one million kernels. An acre of land, about the size of a football field, provides enough wheat for 2,500 loaves of white bread.

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