

Apple Tree VARIETY GUIDE

TOP 4 APPLES TO GROW



VARIETY	HARVEST TIME					FLAVOR	POLLINIZER	COLOR	USES
	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV				
RED GRAVENSTEIN	●●					Tart & crisp	Yellow Transparent & Cox Orange Pippin	Bright red with green undertones	Eaten fresh, baking, cider
FUJI			●			Sweet, crisp	Granny Smith, Gala	Dull reddish orange	Excellent keeper
GALA			●			Blended sweet & tart, crisp	Fuji, Honey Crisp	Red to orange over yellow	Dessert apple, eaten fresh
GRANNY SMITH				●		Crisp & tart	Red, Yellow Delicious, Fuji	Green	All purpose, excellent keeper
GRAVENSTEIN		●				Crisp, juicy, flavorful & tart	Red or Yellow Delicious, Fuji or Gala	Green/red stripes	Sauces, baking & fresh
JONAGOLD			●			Juicy superb rich	Self-fruitful, best pollinized w/ Yellow Delicious, Fuji, Melrose	Yellow w/ red stripes	Fresh, fine desserts
YELLOW TRANSPARENT	●●					Mildly tart, crisp, juicy	Red Gravenstein, Cox Orange Pippin	Pale yellow	Eaten fresh, baking
MCINTOSH			●			Crisp, subacid, sweet	Partly self-fruitful, or pollinated by Red Delicious or Gala	Red over a green apple	Cider, dessert, eaten fresh, cooking
MELROSE				●●		Juicy, slightly tart	Yellow Delicious	Yellow green blushed w/ red	Dessert cooking apple, good keeper
RED DELICIOUS			●			Mild flavor, crisp & juicy	Bears best when pollinized w/ Yellow Delicious	Waxy dark red color	Eaten fresh
YELLOW DELICIOUS			●			Unusually fine, sweet	Self-fruitful	Golden	All purpose, good keeper
COX ORANGE PIPPIN			●			Sweet, aromatic, tangy	Yellow Transparent & Red Gravenstein	Reddish-orange with yellow stripes	Eaten fresh. baking, preserves
HONEYCRISP			●			Crisp & juicy aromatic	Pollinize w/ Yellow Delicious	Striped red over yellow	Needs good drainage
LIBERTY				●●		Crisp rich	Self-fruitful, best pollinized w/ Yellow Delicious	Solid red	Good landscape plant, eaten fresh
PINK LADY				●●		Very crisp, sweet tart, distinct	Self-fruitful	Reddish pink over green	Good landscape plant, eaten fresh
SPARTAN			●			Crisp, juicy, fine-flavored	Self-fruitful	Beautiful dark red skin	Jam & baking



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Cherry Tree

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PLANTING TIPS

- **PLANTING:** Opt for well-draining soil and full sun exposure. Avoid frost-prone areas and ensure good air circulation.
- **WATERING:** Water young trees regularly for strong root development. Once established, provide deep, infrequent watering.
- **FERTILIZING:** Apply balanced fertilizer in spring for young trees. Avoid over-fertilizing to prevent excessive growth.
- **PROTECTION:** Shield ripening cherries from birds with netting. Monitor and manage pests using organic solutions or beneficial insects.
- **PRUNING:** Prune during dormancy to shape, remove deadwood, and enhance air circulation. Open the center for sunlight exposure.
- **DISEASE PREVENTION:** Choose disease-resistant varieties. Apply fungicides preventively, especially in wet conditions.
- **HARVESTING:** Pick fully colored, slightly soft cherries. Sweet cherries should be firm, while sour cherries are harvested when still firm.
- **MULCHING:** Mulch with organic material to retain moisture, suppress weeds, and regulate soil temperature.
- **WINTER CARE:** Protect young trees from winter damage by wrapping trunks. Remove snow from branches to prevent breakage.

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	JUN	JUL				
BING	●	●	Sweet & juicy	Black Tartarian, Van, Rainier, Stella Sweet Cherry or Lapin	Dark burgundy red	Eaten fresh, canning & preserves
BLACK TARTARIAN	●	●	Juicy, very rich & delicious	Requires any Sweet Cherry	Purple black cherry	Eaten fresh, preserves
LAMBERT	●	●	Rich	Black Tartarian, Van, Rainier or Lapin	Dark red	Eaten fresh, canning & preserves
LAPINS	●	●	Sweet flavorful cherry	Self-fruitful	Dark red	Eaten fresh, canning & preserves
MONTMORENCY PIE	●	●	Sour	Self-fruitful	Dark red	Canning, pies & preserves
RAINIER	●	●	Distinct superior	Black Tartarian, Van, Rainier or Lapin	Yellow w/ red blush	Eaten fresh, canning & preserves
ROYAL ANN	●	●	Flavorful, colorless juice	Van & Black Tartarian	Light yellow	Eaten fresh, desserts, canning & processing
STELLA	●	●	Moderately firm	Self-fruitful pollinates Bing	Black cherry	Eaten fresh, canning & preserves
VAN SEMI-SWEET CHERRY	●	●	Sweet	Requires any Sweet Cherry	Reddish black	Eaten fresh, canning & preserves



BERRY SIZE

FRUIT (light green background)

TREE HABITAT (light orange background)

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Pear & Asian Pear Tree

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RECOMMENDED GUIDELINES FOR THE FIRST PRUNING

Pruning is important for a good start for your new tree. If planted in the fall, prune back in early spring. Plant the tree so that the bud union is 2" above ground level. If no branches are present cut back the tree to 32-34 inches. On a branch below 18 inches and cut back the leader to 18 inches above upper most scaffold branch. Remove limbs with narrow crotch angles that grow parallel to the central leader and shorten scaffold branches to 12 inches long.

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	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV				
D'ANJOU		●				Sweet brisk juicy	Partly self-fruitful best pollinized with Bartlett	Light green/yellow tinge	Eaten fresh, cooking
BARTLETT		●				Smooth juicy pleasant tartness	Somewhat self-fruitful, benefits from D'Anjou or Bosc	Golden yellow blushed w/ red	Canning, preserves
BOSC				●●		Crunch tender, rich & juicy	Bartlett or D'Anjou	Dark yellow w/ brownish skin	Eaten fresh, baking, poaching
RED BARTLETT		●●				Sweet, juicy, classic flavor	20th Century and Hosui	Red	Eaten fresh, salads, preserves
RESCUE		●				Sweet, juicy & mild	Bartlett, Hosui	Greenish-yellow	Eaten fresh, canning, baking
SECKEL			●			Exceptionally sweet & juicy	Requires two different pear trees, itself not included	Green w/ red blush, all red	Eaten fresh, canning
MOON GLOW		●				Delightfully sweet w/ sprightly flavor	Requires a second tree	Dull yellow w/ pink blush	Eaten fresh, canning
RED D'ANJOU		●				Mild sweet flavor smooth texture	Bartlett	Rich maroon	Eaten fresh, cooking
NIJISSEIKI / 20TH CENTURY		●●				Juicy, sweet, crisp like apple	Self-fruitful or pollinate with another pear tree	Yellow green	Eaten fresh, canning, preserving
SHINSEIKI		●●				Juicy, sweet, crisp like apple	Self-fruitful or pollinate with another pear tree	Bright yellow	Eaten fresh, cooking, stores well
CHOJURO		●				Juicy crisp	Requires a second pear tree	Greenish brown	Eaten fresh, canning, salads
KOREAN GIANT			●			Juicy, sweet & crisp	Requires a pollinator	Brown	Eaten fresh, stores well
ORCA			●●			Sweet, rich & crisp	Chojuro, Korean Giant	Green with yellow undertones	Eaten fresh, salads, baking
HOSUI			●			Sweet, mildly tart, crisp	Shineiki, Korean Giant	Golden-brown with russeted texture	Eaten fresh, poaching

FRUIT SIZE



SIZE NOT TO ACTUAL SCALE

PEAR

ASIAN PEAR

FRUIT

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TREE HABITAT



Wilco