



Fruit Trees

Nut Trees

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ANNA APPLE Remarkable fruit for mild winter climates in S. CA., S. AZ. Heavy crops of sweet, crisp, flavorful apples even in low desert. Fresh/cooked. Keeps 2 months in refrigerator. 200 hours. Self-fruitful or pollinized by Dorsett Golden or Elnahmer. USDA Zones 5 - 10.

ARKANSAS BLACK SPUR APPLE Large, late season. Dark red skin, high quality even where summer nights are warm. For dessert and cooking. Keeps many months. Chilling requirement 500-600 hours. Partly self-fruitful. USDA Zones 5 - 9

ASHMEAD'S KERNEL APPLE Widely regarded as one of the all-time best-flavored apples. Small to medium-sized fruit; variable shape, often lop-sided. Greenish to golden brown russet skin with reddish highlights. Creamy yellow flesh is aromatic, crisp and sweet. Fruit picked early is somewhat sharp and acidic, but mellows after a few weeks off the tree. Ripens after Red Delicious, about with Golden Delicious. Keeps 3-4 months. Used for dessert, cider and sauce. Resistant to powdery mildew, somewhat resistant to apple scab. Winter hardy tree, begins bearing at young age. From England, discovered in the early 1700s. Estimated chilling requirement 800-1000 hours. Partly self-fruitful, biggest crops with cross-pollination.

DORSETT GOLDEN APPLE Outstanding sweet apple for warm winter areas. Firm, very flavorful, sweet like Golden Delicious. Productive throughout So. CA and Phoenix, AZ. Good early season sweet apple for Central CA. 100 hours. Self-fruitful. USDA Zones 5 - 10

FUJI APPLE Introduction from Japan that quickly became CA's favorite apple. Sweet, very crisp and flavorful, excellent keeper. Dull reddish orange skin, sometimes russeted. Ripe mid September. Excellent pollinizer for other apple varieties. Low chilling requirement - less than 500 hours. Self-fruitful. USDA Zones 6 - 9

HUDSON'S GOLDEN GEM APPLE One of the largest and best-flavored russet apples. Crisp, sugary, juicy flesh with flavor described as nutty by some, pear-like by others. Conical in shape with a very distinctive appearance: a smooth, uniform, grayish-gold or light yellowish-brown russet over the entire surface. Ripens after Jonagold, about with Melrose. In most climates where it is grown, the fruit hangs on the tree into winter. Good keeper. Medium-sized, vigorous, winter hardy tree. Resistant to scab, mildew and fire blight. Fruit tends to crack the first two or three years only. Chance seedling discovered in a fence row at Tangent, Oregon. Introduced in 1931. Estimated chilling requirement 800-1000 hours. Partly self-fruitful, biggest crops with cross-pollination. USDA Zones 3 - 9

MUTSU (CRISPIN) APPLE A favorite of connoisseurs: very large, crisp and flavorful. Late September/October harvest. Pick when green or wait until partly yellow. Large, vigorous tree resists powdery mildew. 500 hours. Pollinizer required: Red Delicious, Granny Smith, Fuji, Gala. USDA Zones 4 - 8

PINK LADY® APPLE (Cripps Pink) Hot climate apple from Western Australia. Very crisp, sweet tart, distinct flavor, good keeper. Skin reddish pink over green when ripe. White flesh resists browning. Harvest begins late October in Central CA., about three weeks after Fuji. Self-fruitful. 300-400 hours. (Pat. No. 7880). USDA Zones 6 - 9

PINK PEARL APPLE Unusual pink fleshed, highly aromatic fruit. Medium sized, cream and pale green skin, sometimes blushed red. Tart to sweet-tart, depending on time of picking. Early fall harvest. Good keeper. Makes colorful, tasty applesauce. Early, profuse, pink blossoms in spring. 600 hours. Pollinizer required. USDA Zones 4 - 8

BLENHEIM (ROYAL) APRICOT All-purpose freestone, sweet, aromatic, flavorful, long-time No. 1 apricot in CA. Early bloom. Late June harvest in Central CA. 400 hours or less. Self-fruitful. USDA Zones 7 - 8

ROYAL ROSA APRICOT Extremely vigorous - more disease tolerant than other apricots. Bears young and heavy. Especially nice fruit: sweet, low acid, fine flavor. Very early harvest (late May in Central CA). Excellent backyard apricot. 500 hours. Self-fruitful. USDA Zones 7 - 9 (Zaiger)

CRAIG'S CRIMSON CHERRY Taste test winner. Self-fruitful, natural semi-dwarf sweet cherry. Dark red to nearly black, medium to large size, wonderful spicy flavor, very firm texture. Mature tree size about 2/3 of standard (smaller when budded onto Colt or Mahaleb rootstock). Mid-season. 500-600 hours. (Expired Pat. No.7320). USDA Zones 5 - 9 (Zaiger)

LAPINS CHERRY Self-fruitful, dark red sweet cherry from Canada. Large, firm, good flavor. Similar to Van in color, Bing in shape. Sometimes sold as "Self-fertile Bing." Ripens 4 days after Bing. 400 hours or less. USDA Zones 5 - 9

MINNIE ROYAL CHERRY Medium sized red cherry; firm with good flavor. Ripens 11-14 days ahead of Bing; tree is very productive with a low chill requirement. Pollinized by Royal Lee. 200 - 300 hours or less. (Pat. No.12942) (Zaiger)

ROYAL LEE CHERRY Medium sized red cherry; very firm with excellent flavor. Ripens 11- 14 days ahead of Bing; tree is very productive with a low chill requirement; pollinized by Minnie Royal. 200 to 300 hours. (Pat. No.12472) (Zaiger)

ROYAL RAINIER CHERRY Large yellow cherry with slightly more red blush than Rainier. Excellent flavor, taste test winner. Ripens early, about 3 - 5 days ahead of Rainier. Chill requirement 500 hours. Pollinized by Bing, Black Tartarian and Lapins. USDA Zones 5 - 9

CONTORTED JUJUBE "Chinese date." Interesting ornamental form: twisted, contorted branching. Round shaped edible fruits similar to Li. Fruits reddish-brown when ripe, eaten firm and crunchy or room-dried to date-like chewy sweetness. Early fall harvest. Attractive, easy-to-grow tree: hardy, rough resistant, virtually pest and disease free. Requires long, hot summer. Very low chilling requirement. Partly self-fruitful or pollinized by Lang.

SUGAR CANE JUJUBE "Chinese date." Round fruit is smaller than Li. Sweet, crunchy flesh. Tree is precocious, hardy, drought resistant, virtually pest and disease free. Requires long, hot summer. Very low chill requirement. Partly Self-fruitful.

FANTASIA NECTARINE Popular, large, yellow freestone. Early harvest fruit is firm ripe and tangy, later harvest is sweet, with rich flavor: high scoring in taste tests. Late July/early August in Central CA. 500 hours or less. Self-fruitful.

SAUZEE KING NECTARINE First "donut" style nectarine from Zaiger Hybrids. Outstanding early season variety has white flesh that is sweet and juicy. Red skin, blushed with yellow. Tree sets fruit at a young age and produces heavily. Thinning is required for large fruit size. Estimated 500 hours or less. (Pat. No. 16258) (Zaiger)

SNOW QUEEN NECTARINE Taste test winner. Sweet, juicy, early season white freestone. Late June harvest in Central CA., 2-3 weeks ahead of Babcock peach. Long-time favorite in S. CA. Low chilling requirement, 250-300 hours. Self-fruitful.

SPICE ZEE NECTAPLUM® INTERSPECIFIC The first NectaPlum® from Zaiger Hybrids. White fleshed, nectarine x plum. Skin is dark maroon at fruit set, and turns pale pink when ripe. Fully ripe fruit is unparalleled in flavor, and both nectarine and plum traits are easily detectable. Tree is quite ornamental. Tremendous purplish pink bloom in the spring, followed by a flourish of red leaves which mature into lush green in late summer. Self-fruitful. Very productive. 200-300 hours. High chill adaptable. (Pat. No. 15535) (Zaiger)

BABCOCK WHITE PEACH Long time favorite white fleshed freestone. Sweet and juicy, aromatic, low in acid. High scoring in taste tests. Ripens mid July in Central CA. Widely adapted (low chill requirement, yet not early blooming). 250-300 hours. Self-fruitful.

DONUT (Stark Saturn) WHITE PEACH Also called Saucer or Peento Peach. Unique white fleshed fruit with a sunken center (shaped like a doughnut). Sweet, with a mild flavor described by some as almond like. Ripens late June/early July in Central CA. Estimated chilling requirement 200-300 hours. Self-fruitful.

KAWEAH PEACH Kaweah has become a favored late summer peach providing consistent high yields and large size fruit. High scoring in taste tests. Kaweah has a delicious true peach flavor with a good balance of sugar to acid and is an all purpose fruit, good for fresh eating, baking, canning, jams and jellies. Recent low-chill trials have shown Kaweah to be productive with less than 500 chill hours. (Plant Pat. No. # 10177).

MID-PRIDE PEACH Best yellow freestone for warm winter climates of S. CA., Phoenix, Houston, S.F. Bay Area. Also recommended for Central CA. for its exceptional flavor and dessert quality. Mid-season. 250 hours. Self-fruitful. (Zaiger)

RED BARON PEACH Flowering/fruiting. Large, juicy, firm, richly flavored yellow freestone fruit. Showy double red blossoms. Mid-July. Long-time favorite in Southern CA. and Texas. Low chilling requirement, 250-300 hours. Self-fruitful. (Expired Pat. No. 4195)

SWEET BAGEL PEACH™ Flat "Donut" shaped peach with yellow flesh and classic peach flavor. Has large fruit and sets heavily in central CA.. Moderate chill requirement, 300-400 hours.

BELLA GOLD PEACOTUM® A new fruit type from Zaiger Hybrids. Peach x apricot x plum. Slightly fuzzy skin, like that of an apricot, is bright yellow with an attractive red blush. Tart skin gives way to mildly sweet amber flesh for a delightful eating experience. Naturally semi-dwarf tree. Known to be pollinated by Flavor Grenade Pluot®. 500 hours. (Pat. No. 17826) (Zaiger)

WARREN PEAR Excellent quality dessert pear and highly resistant to fire blight. Medium to large, long-necked fruit with pale green skin, sometimes blushed red. Smooth flesh (no grit cells) is juicy and buttery with superb flavor. Good keeper. Cold hardy to -20°F. From Mississippi. 600 hours. Self-fruitful

20TH CENTURY ASIAN PEAR (Nijisseiki, "Apple Pear") Juicy, sweet, mild flavored fruit is crisp like apple. Early to mid-August in Central CA. Keeps well. Easy to grow, heavy bearing small tree. 300-400 hours. Self-fruitful or pollenized. by Shinseiki, Bartlett, or other.

HOSUI ASIAN PEAR Consistently rated the best-tasting Asian pear at Dave Wilson Nursery fruit tastings. Large, juicy, sweet, flavorful, refreshing, crisp like an apple. Brownish-orange russeted skin. Harvest early to mid-August in Central CA. 300-400 hours. Pollenized by Shinko, Chojuro, Bartlett, or 20th Century.

SHINKO ASIAN PEAR Late ripening -September in Central CA- and excellent quality. Juicy, sweet, flavorful, refreshing, crisp like an apple. Golden brown russeted skin. 450 hours. Pollenized by Hosui, Chojuro, Kikusui, Bartlett

SHINSEIKI ASIAN PEAR Juicy, sweet, refreshing, crisp like an apple. Easy to grow. Keeps well. Harvest late July/early August in Central CA. Bright yellow skin. Vigorous, heavy bearing (usually by 2nd year). 250-300 hours. Self-fruitful.

YA LI ASIAN (CHINESE) PEAR High quality greenish-yellow, pear-shaped fruit is juicy, sweet, refreshing, crisp like an apple when ripe. Vigorous tree. Harvest in September in Central CA. 300 hours. Pollenized by Tsu Li.

BURGUNDY PLUM Maroon colored skin and semi freestone flesh. Sweet, with little or no tartness and a very pleasing, mild flavor. High taste test scores. Prolonged harvest, mid-July to mid-August in Central CA. Very productive. Narrow, upright habit. 300 hours. Self-fruitful.

GOLDEN NECTAR PLUM Popular yellow dessert plum. Large, oblong fruit with waxy, thin, amber skin. Amber flesh is firm, sweet and flavorful. Very small pit. August harvest in Central CA. 400 hours or less. Self-fruitful.

SANTA ROSA PLUM Most popular plum in CA. & Arizona. Juicy, tangy & flavorful. Reddish purple skin, amber flesh tinged red. Late June in Central CA. 300 hours. Self-fruitful.

WEEPING SANTA ROSA SEMI-DWARF PLUM One of the most flavorful, aromatic Japanese plums when fully ripe. Beautiful 8-10 ft. tree, weeping growth habit; long slender limbs bow gracefully to the ground. Easily espaliered. 200-400 hours. Self-fruitful.

COT-N-CANDY APRIUM® INTERSPECIFIC Wonderful new fruit from Zaiger Hybrids. White flesh apricot plum hybrid. Medium sized with incredible flavor, very sweet and juicy. Ripens early to mid July. Self-fruitful. 400 hours or less. Patent pending USDA Zones 7 - 10 (Zaiger)

DAPPLE DANDY PLUOT® INTERSPECIFIC Taste test winner. Ranks with Flavor King and Flavor Supreme Pluots® as best flavored fruit at Dave Wilson Nursery tastings. Creamy white and red fleshed freestone with wonderful plum apricot flavor. Skin greenish yellow with red spots, turning to a maroon and yellow dapple. August harvest in Central CA. 400-500 hours. Pollenized by Flavor Supreme Pluot®, Flavor King Pluot®, Santa Rosa, Catalina or Burgundy Plum. (Pat. No. 9254) (Zaiger)

FLAVOR GRENADE PLUOT® INTERSPECIFIC Elongated green fruit with red blush. Crisp texture and explosive flavor. Taste test winner. Hangs on the tree for 4-6 weeks. Pollenized by Flavor King, Dapple Dandy or Emerald Drop Pluots® or Santa Rosa plum. 200-300 hours. (Pat. No. 12097) (Zaiger)

AMBROSIA POMEGRANATE Medium to large, pale pink skin, purple sweet-tart juice, similar to Wonderful. Long-lived, inland or coastal climate. 150 hours. Self-fruitful.

DESERTNYI POMEGRANATE Special selection from the Turkmenistan collection of world famous hybridist Gregory Levin. Desertnyi translates to English as dessert, and it is a real dessert treat. Light orange rind contrasted by dark red arils makes for a unique look. Excellent sweet-tart balance with citrus overtones. Mature fruit has an orange juice like flavor, with a great, firm eating texture. Very soft edible seed. 200 hours. Self-fruitful.

ALL-IN-ONE GENETIC SEMI-DWARF ALMOND No. 1 almond for home orchards. Heavy crops of soft shell nuts with sweet, flavorful kernels. Hot summer required to ripen. 15 ft. tree, very winter & frost hardy. 300-400 hrs. Self-fruitful. (Expired Pat. No. 4304) (Zaiger)