



Groves Guide to...

Apple Tree Varieties

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Blenheim Orange

Dual purpose variety ready for picking November. Large flat, slightly ribbed fruits, yellow in colour streaked with red and some russeting. Crisp, juicy flesh with a pleasant sharp flavour that stores and freezes well. Tree growth is vigorous and spreading.

Bramley Seedling

The best quality cooker ripening in October to November. Fruits very large and flat in shape, coloured green with a slight pink flush. A good acid flavour that freezes and stores well. A vigorous tree that needs plenty of space. A Mini would be most suitable for the smaller garden. Should be lightly pruned to encourage fruit bud development. Fairly resistant to scab.

Charles Ross

A fine dessert apple which may be cooked, ripening in October and will keep until December. Fruits are medium to large size slightly flat, with a similar colour to Cox. Flesh tender, sweet and juicy with aromatic flavour. Tree growth is compact and has heavy regular crops and good resistance to scab. Grows well in any region.

Cox's Orange Pipin

The most popular eating apple ripening in October, but will store until Christmas. Fruits are medium size crisp & juicy with a charismatic aromatic flavour. Growth moderate, making a medium sized tree. Self-fertile version available.

Discovery

The most popular early dessert apple ripening early August. Fruits medium sized, flat in shape and coloured yellow. With bright red cheek flush. Flavour sweet and juicy with crisp flesh. Tree moderately vigorous with upright spreading habit. Crops well and regularly. Tree moderately vigorous with upright but compact growth. Relatively disease free and grows well in any region.

Ergamont Russet

A dessert apple ripening in October but will remain on the tree until December. Fruit medium sized, round flat shaped with a completely russeted skin. Firm flesh rather dry, sweet with a nutty aromatic flavour. Crops well and regularly. Tree moderately vigorous with upright but compact growth. Relatively disease free and grows well in any region.

Ellison's Orange

A Cox type dessert apple ripening in September to October. Fruits medium sized and golden yellow with a crimson flush. Flesh juicy and sweet with aromatic aniseed flavour. Tree growth moderate with slender compact habit. Crops fairly heavy and early on in its life. Flowers show some resistance to frost damage.

George Cave

A very good early dessert variety ripening late July to August. Fruit medium sized, greenish-yellow flushed red. Flesh sweet aromatic and firm if eaten fresh. Heavy regular cropper on a tree of moderate fairly compact growth.

Golden Delicious

Late to very late dessert apple. Keeps until April in cold store. Fruit pale yellow, grey russet dots. Crisp, juicy and sweet. Good resistance to frost damage. Tree medium to vigorous growth and spreading.

Grenadier

Cooking apple. Mid August to late October. Round flattish fruity large pale green tinged yellow. Tree moderate growth and compact. Regular heavy cropper. Suitable for a small garden. Scab resistant.