

Fruit Tree *Catalogue*



Almond A tree worthy of growing for its beautiful pink flower alone. The nut is a tantalising bonus!, Almond

Almond Ingrid Good quality fruit for a sheltered location. Some leaf curl resistance. Pick September Self-fertile
Sheltered spot.

Apple One of the most celebrated fruits throughout history and folklore. There are in excess of 5000 named varieties of apple! Many of these have fallen from favour as they are replaced by 'improved' modern breeds that are selected for many features – most sign

Beauty of Bath	Sweet and juicy, red flush on yellow skin, flesh often pink under the skin. Can drop fruit easily.	Aug / Aug	2
Blenheim Orange	Great old-fashioned eater with crumbly texture and nutty taste. Pretty golden skin flushed orange/red.	Oct/Jan	3
Bountiful	A dual purpose variety with a light sweet taste when cooked. More disease resistance than Bramley.	Sept / Nov	2
Braeburn	Crisp, firm aromatic fruit. Sheltered site needed. Successful locally.	Oct / March	4
Bramley 20	20% less vigorous than traditional Bramley so better for smaller gardens.	Oct / March	Triploid 3
Bramley Original	Grown using a cutting from the original tree in Nottingham.	Oct / March	Triploid 3
Bramley's Seedling	Traditional cooker with strong sharp taste. A vigorous grower.	Oct/ March	Triploid 3
Christmas Pippin	Described as "The new garden Cox" Exceptional eater as the Cox but higher cropping and reliable.	Early October/	3
Cox Self Fertile	Traditional favourite dessert variety, difficult to grow in this area and somewhat disease prone.	Sept / Jan	3
Discovery	Lovely early red dessert variety. Heavy cropper. Use when ripe as it will not store.	Aug / Aug	3
Egremont Russet	Cream fleshed dessert variety with nutty taste. Store before eating.	Oct / Dec	2
Herefordshire Russet ®	Described as a russet with the flavour of a Cox. Rich aromatic flesh, prolific crops.	Oct / Jan	3
James Grieve	Reliable dessert variety which grows well in this area. Crisp and juicy.	Sept / Oct	3
Katy	Excellent dessert variety for young children. High yield of bright red fruit. A good pollinator.	Sept / Sept	3
Kidd's Orange Red	A good Cox alternative - sweet, crisp and aromatic with a good balance of sugar and acidity.	Oct / Jan	3
Red Devil ®	Gorgeous fruit flavour with strawberry tones & pink juice. Excellent scab and mildew resistance.	Sept / Dec	Self-fertile 3
Red Falstaff ®	Probably the heaviest yielding apple. Well balanced fruity flavour, juicy and crisp flesh.	Oct / March	Self-fertile 3
Scrumptious ®	An RHS favourite with tidy growth habit. Red fruit remains on tree until picked. Complex flavours.	Sept / Oct	Self-fertile 3
Somerset Redstreak	Traditional bittersweet cider apple. Can be biennial cropper.	October	5

Spartan	Known as the Red Delicious. Thinning of fruit is needed for even crops of this juicy dessert variety	Oct / Jan	3
Sunset	Popular Cox alternative although slightly softer. Good on clay soils but watch out for canker.	Oct / Dec	3
Tickled Pink	New variety with striking red blossom and large red skinned and red fleshed fruit. Dual purpose fruit.	Sept /	3
Apricot	First discovered by Alexander the Great either in China or Siberia and they reached England in the 13th century. To succeed, a cold winter to rest and a warm summer to ripen the fruit will be essential. Heavy soils and wet ground are not suitable., Aprico		
Goldcott	Dual use, medium sized, vigorous and very hardy. Leaf spot resistant.	August	Self - fertile
Cherry	How do I stop the birds eating my crop? Grow trees fan trained against a wall to make netting easy, use the new dwarf rootstocks to keep free standing trees small enough to net, hang wind chimes in the tree when the fruit starts to turn red, there are ple		
Celeste	Large dark red fruit with excellent flavour. Suitable for growing in smaller gardens.	Early July	Self-fertile
Morello	The only acid cherry in general cultivation. Tolerates north facing positions	Late July	Self-fertile
Stella	The first sweet cherry and still dominating the markets. Lovely dessert variety.	Late July	Self-fertile
Summer Sun	Dessert variety which will tolerate more exposed positions than others.	Late July	Self-fertile
Sunburst	A truly black cherry with fantastic flavour. Stores well compared to other cherries.	Late July	Self-fertile
Sweetheart	Latest cropping of the dessert varieties with fruit ripening over a long period.	Early September	Self-fertile
Damson	Damsons are generally tougher than plums with a more intense flavour. They are beautiful in flower and generous fruiting. Well suited to most sites and soils., Damson		
Merryweather	Dual use with fruit almost plum sized. Heavy cropping & reliable Juicy yellow flesh.	Late September	Self-fertile 3
Shropshire Prune	Hedgerow damson known as the greengage of damsons for its excellent flavour.	Mid-September	Self-fertile 3
Greengage	Often grouped together with plums and damsons, the gage tends to be less prolific and rather more tender. The exceptional flavour of the small sweet fruit more than compensates for the extra effort involved in finding the right site to grow them., Greenga		
Cambridge	Traditional gage with small yellow/green fruit with good flavour and lots of juice.	Late August	Self-fertile 3

Denniston's Superb	The most reliable cropping gage, with sweet transparent flesh and a red flushed skin.	Early August	Self-fertile 2
Old Green Gage	Derived from the middle ages. Grand old-fashioned flavour.	Mid Aug	Self-fertile 3
Oullins Golden Gage	Fine flavour with yellow skin. Will crop on a North facing wall if necessary.	Mid-August	Self-fertile 4
Medlar	Easy natured trees that tolerate most soils and can be beautifully ornamental as well as providing an unusual crop. Allow fruit to 'blet' before eating., Medlar		
Nottingham	Still the most reliable variety for cropping in the UK.	Pick October	Self-fertile
Royal	Smaller fruit than the Nottingham but better flavour.	Pick October	Self-fertile
Mirabelle	A group of fruit that fell out of favour and was found only in the textbooks for a long time. Recent breeding programmes have created vastly improved varieties that are very worthwhile additions to the garden. Our choice of these to stock this year is the		
Ruby	The largest recorded fruit of all mirabelles, sweet peach flavours, upright habit.	Pick early Sept	Self – fertile 1
Mulberry	An increasingly popular group of trees for both fruiting and ornamental purposes. Suit any warm location., Mulberry		
Chelsea (King James)	For cooking or eating, the unusually large fruit holds an intense, rich flavour.	August	Self - fertile
Wellington	Large black fruit which ripen earlier than the Chelsea.	August	Self - fertile
Nectarine	Nectarines are rich in vitamin A, potassium, niacin, riboflavin and vitamin C. The smoother, more firm relative of the peach tends to be slightly less hardy and more difficult to grow. The rewards that come with a successful crop will justify any means ne		
Lord Napier	Large early fruit with a cheek turning dark crimson in the sun. Heavy & regular crops.	Early August	Self-fertile
Nectarella	Extra dwarfing variety provides maximum crop in a small space. Good for containers.	August	Self - fertile
Peach	The beautiful flower of the peach, so similar to those of an almond, are reason enough to grow this short-lived tree. Rich and well drained soil is one of the keys to success but moisture will assure good crops. Information about preventing peach leaf cur		
Garden Lady	New variety. Leaf curl resistant. Large red fleshed fruit. Vigorous.	September	Self - fertile
Peregrine	Reliable outdoor variety with white flesh and brilliant red skin.	Early August	Self-fertile

Pear Pears will thrive in and warm and sheltered spot that does not suffer from late frosts. They prefer rich soil that is moist but well drained. Pollination more complicated than apples so do check that you are planting a suitable partner., **Pear**

Beth	Smooth English bred variety with high yields. Small fruit turn pale yellow when ripe.	Sept / Sept	3
Beurre Hardy	Strong grower - not for smaller gardens. Red flushed fruit has distinctive flavour.	Sept / Oct	3
Concorde ®	Medium/large firm fruit with sweet yellow flesh. Compact growth, heavy cropper.	Sept / Nov	Self-fertile 4
Conference	Medium fruit with firm flesh. Reliable even in unfavourable conditions.	Sept / Nov	Self-fertile 3
Doyenne du Comice	The queen of pears juicy soft & large	Oct / Nov	Beth/Concorde
Invincible ® delwinor	Heavy cropping, dual purpose & tolerates cold sites. Does not keep.	Sept / Sept	Self-fertile 2
Onward	Cream flesh with rich juicy flavour. Not a good pollinator	Sept / Oct	4
Williams' Bon Chretien	Old English variety popular for its regular cropping & hardiness. Does not keep.	Sept / Sept	3

Plum Plums trees will benefit from heavier and damper soils than most fruit and many varieties will even crop in the shade. Exciting modern varieties have been bred to increase resistance to problems like canker., **Plum**

Victoria	1st choice of plum despite disease susceptibility while young. 19th century from Sussex.	Late August	Self-fertile
Czar	Best cooker as well as delightful eaten ripe off the tree. Heavy cropper, frost resistant.	Early August	Self-fertile
Guinevere	Large dark fruits. Great eating with extended shelf-life when refrigerated.	Late September	Self-fertile
Herman	Improved Czar which can be used as culinary or dessert. Earliest of the plums to ripen.	Late July	Self-fertile
Marjorie's Seedling	Latest cropping dessert plum. Not too sweet. Good disease resistance.	Late September	Self-fertile
Opal	Heavy cropping early dessert plum. Red/purple fruit with golden juicy flesh	Late July	Self-fertile

Quince An ancient fruit originating in Persia and Turkestan. Moisture loving to the extent that they make excellent (and very ornamental) riverside trees for warm sheltered locations. Tasty addition to apple crumble!, **Quince**

Meech's Prolific	The most common choice of quince as it bears most reliably in unfavourable conditions	Oct / Dec	Self-fertile
Serbian Gold	Highly productive form, the variety of choice for Quince Liqueur!	Oct / Dec	Self-fertile
Vranja	Large pale green/yellow fruit similar to Meech's Prolific.	October	Self-fertile

Walnut A tree imbued with huge historical and folkloric significance. A deep rich soil is needed for these large trees to thrive. Very few varieties are self fertile but wind pollination can occur at up to 250metres!, Walnut

Broadview	Best form for the UK, cropping from an exceptionally young age. Ultimately smaller and more compact than most walnut trees. Self fertile but a partner can improve crops.	Pickle early July	Self-fertile
Buccaneer	A robust variety than benefits from planting near Broadview. Warm location preferred	Pickle early July	Self-fertile
Fernette	Large nut with a thin shell. Excellent quality. Broadview is best pollinator.	2nd week October	Required
Franquette	Great pollinator for other walnuts and good cropper with high disease resistance.	Late season	Required

Further information

Most common fruit trees are available in many forms. We have provided the following guide to help you select an appropriate style for your needs eg patio, bush or half standard.

For further assistance feel free to ask in the garden centre, over the phone or by email – we can even answer enquiries by Facebook.

PATIO TREES are on a dwarfing rootstock intended to grow 6 - 9ft (1.8—2.7 m) high. They can be planted in the ground or in large containers - ideal for small gardens.

BUSH TREES use semi-dwarfing rootstock to grow 9 - 12ft (2.7—3.6m) high. They should branch out from a low level to keep the crop at an easy height to pick.

1/2 STANDARD TREES A bare trunk of around 4'6" (approx. 1.4m) allows room for access / mowing underneath. Ideal for garden orchards.

FULL STANDARD TREES are seldom used for modern purposes due to the difficulty of cropping and disease control. This style has a 6ft clear stem below the crown.

FAN TRAINED TREES for growing against a fence or a wall provide a very efficient cropping method as well as being pleasantly ornamental. Fig, cherry, damson, greengage, peach, apple, pear and plum, most fruit can be trained this way.

ESPALIER TRAINED TREES provide an old fashioned formal shape suitable for walls or fences. Fewer varieties are available in this style which is only suited to growing apples and pears.

CORDON TRAINED TREES are increasingly popular and provide an ornamental method of maximising the production of different fruits in small spaces. Also effective when used as screening.

STEPOVER TREES look like a single tiered espalier. These productive low standing forms of apple and pear make wonderful and productive edging for paths and borders.