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Apple Tree Descriptions

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THE FRUIT CONNECTION DIFFERENCE - Unlike with many other fruit tree suppliers, our fruit trees are grown by traditional methods and are sold “bare-root”. The trees are grown in nurseries on the farm, on-site, in Geneva, NY. They are dug from the nursery and are kept dormant in climate-controlled surroundings until they are placed in their permanent homes- sold to the public, or planted in the orchards. The young, bare-root trees should be planted immediately upon purchase and not allowed to dry out. All the following trees are grown on dwarf rootstocks and will give a tree approximately 4’-5’ wide and 8’ tall. *Apple trees should be cross-pollinated with another apple tree, either domestic or wild, to improve yield.

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS - PLANT THE TREE IMMEDIATELY, if possible AND DO NOT ALLOW THE ROOTS TO DRY OUT. If this is not possible, keep the tree in a cool location, and keep the roots moist, but not sitting in water.

Dig a hole, approximately 2+ feet deep, deep enough and wide enough to comfortably fit the tree. Soil can be amended with some peat moss but work it in well with the existing soil. Fill the hole with water and place the tree in the hole. Add the remaining soil and tamp it down so there are no air pockets. Semi-dwarf trees should be planted in well-tilled soil with the “knuckle” 3-4 inches above ground level. Plant all trees in full sun, when possible. Water young trees weekly, at a minimum, in dry weather. These varieties are semi-dwarf and will grow to 40%-50% the size of regular trees. The spacing between trees should be 8’- 10’.

OUR 2024 APPLE TREE VARIETIES

***BALDWIN**

The Baldwins have been growing in the nursery for 2 plus years. Because they are more mature trees, they should start to fruit after planting the first year. Baldwins were the largest producing variety in the 1920’s- and 1930’s and are good eating apples-a tangy and tart heirloom variety. The favorite of many people.

Harvest date: October 15



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***CORTLAND**

Cortland is a very popular apple with the locals from New York State. It is an all-purpose variety good for salads, baking, pastries and just plain eating! The flesh of the apple will stay white after cutting, so it's wonderful for those fresh early fall salads.

Dwarf trees are 6' – 8' tall, 4' in diameter, Large Dwarf trees are 8'-10', 5' in diameter

Harvest date: October 1

***ENTERPRISE**

2 year old trees grown on Geneva 935 rootstock. Apple scab immune which will eliminate the need for a lot of sprays. A multi-use, long-keeping apple with a tart and tangy flavor.

Harvest date around October 20

***FUJI**

As the name implies, it originated in Japan and is considered as "gourmet quality". It is long-keeping, crisp, and has intense flavors. A world- class apple!

Fruiting around October 25

***GALA**

The favorite apple of many apple lovers. Usually the first to harvest in the fall. Explosive apple flavor. One of the top choices for a desert apple in the USA. This variety is a 2-year-old tree grown on Geneva 41 rootstock. A good cropper and a multi-use variety.

Harvest around September 10



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***GOLD RUSH**

Is a late-maturing, a Golden Delicious-type of fruit. Sweet and juicy. This is a 2-year-old tree grown on 935 rootstock. It is a large dwarf variety and will grow 8 + feet. If you would like to grow organically, this would be a good variety for you. It is a more disease resistant variety and resists scab and other fungal diseases, reducing, or eliminating the need to spray. It stores exceptionally well, long-term.

Harvest around October 25

***GRANNY SMITH**

“The superb juice, and pie apple.” Great for people who love “tart”. Easy to grow. Green skin.

Harvest around October 20

***GOLDEN RUSSET**

An old-time vintage variety with russeted skin, high in sugar, exceptionally long-keeping with some acidic tart and tangy flavors. Yum!

Harvest around October 20

***HONEYCRISP**

The favorite among the “the younger generation of all ages”. An incredible crisp texture, loaded with sweetness and tartness. Usually sold at a premium, when available.

Fruiting around September 15

***GOLDEN DELICIOUS**

An old-time variety and, because of its spicy flavor, it is frequently used in oldie-but-goodie recipes such as applesauce, baked apples, juicing, and pies. Joe’s favorite fall apple!

Fruiting around October 10



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***MARGIL**

A two-year old tree on Geneva 41 rootstock. A smaller apple, known for its French culinary connection.

Fruiting around October 5

***NEWTOWN PIPPIN**

A two-year-old tree, known as the Ben Franklin apple. Started from a seedling in Flushing NYC. The apple of “The Big Apple”?

Fruiting around October 26

***NORTHERN SPY**

A classic old variety from Bloomfield, NY. The standard for apple pies!

Fruiting around Mid- September