



Fruit Trees

Shade Trees Flowering 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 Einshemer. USDA Zones 5 - 10.

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

GALA APPLE (Original Gala) Wonderful dessert apple from New Zealand. Crisp, nice blend of sweetness and tartness, rich flavor. Skin reddish orange over yellow. Early harvest, 2 - 3 weeks before Red Delicious. Good pollinizer for other varieties. Adapted to cold and warm-winter climates. Chilling requirement less than 500 hours. Self-fruitful. USDA Zones 4 - 10

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

SUNDOWNER™ APPLE A sister plant to the popular Pink Lady selection, Sundowner has a sweet, crispy, white flesh and excellent flavor. Considered a late harvest variety ripening from October well into winter in most areas. Does well under extreme fruit growing conditions such as southern fruit growing districts and deserts with little or no damage to the fruit. Chill requirement of 200 to 300 hours with high chill adaptability. Self-fruitful. (Plant Pat. No 9477).

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

GOLD KIST APRICOT Excellent backyard apricot for warm winter climates. Freestone, very good quality. Heavy bearing. Early harvest, 3-4 weeks before Blenheim (Royal). 300 hours. Self-fruitful. USDA Zones 7 - 9 (Zaiger)

TOMCOT APRICOT A consistently productive apricot variety. Large, orange fruit with firm, sweet flesh. Slightly tart, old apricot flavor. Early harvest, 2 - 3 weeks before Wenatchee Moorpark. Originated at Prosser, WA, introduced in 1989. 500 hours or less. Partly Self-fruitful; largest crops if cross-pollinized by another apricot. (Expired Pat. No.7034). USDA Zones 4 - 8

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

STELLA CHERRY Self-fruitful - no pollinizer needed. Large, nearly black, richly flavored sweet cherry similar to its parent, Lambert. Late harvest. 400 hours. Pollinates Bing, except in mild winter climates. 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.

LI JUJUBE "Chinese date." Round shaped fruits are larger than Lang. Reddish brown, dry and wrinkled, sweet and chewy (like dates) when fully ripe in early Fall. Attractive, easy to grow tree: hardy, drought resistant, virtually pest and disease free. Requires long, hot summer. Very low chilling requirement. Self-fruitful. USDA Zones 5 - 10

ARCTIC STAR WHITE NECTARINE Earliest to ripen of the low acid, super-sweet white nectarines. Rave reviews in trial tastings. Beautiful dark red skin, snow white semi freestone flesh. Ripens mid June in Central CA, 4-5 weeks ahead of Arctic Rose. Low winter chilling requirement, about 300 hours. Self-fruitful. (Pat. No. 9332) (Zaiger)

DESERT DAWN NECTARINE Proven heavy producer of delicious nectarines for warm winter western climates. Solid red skin, juicy yellow semi freestone, rich flavor. Mid to late May. 250 hours. Self-fruitful. (Zaiger)

DESERT DELIGHT NECTARINE Proven producer in warm winter climates, and highly recommended as an early season nectarine elsewhere. Large fruit with bright red skin, yellow flesh and delicious, rich, nectarine flavor. Harvest mid-June in Central CA. 100-200 hours. Self-fruitful. (Pat. No. 7891) (Zaiger)

PANAMINT NECTARINE Attractive red-skinned yellow freestone. Aromatic, intensely flavored, nice acid sugar balance. Dependable, long time favorite in warm winter Southern CA. climates. Late July/early August. 250 hours. Self-fruitful

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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)

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)

BONANZA MINIATURE PEACH Popular yellow freestone- large fruit is sweet, low in acid, with a mild, refreshing flavor. Mid to late June in Central CA, earlier in low desert climates. 5-6 ft. tree. Chilling requirement very low, 250 hours or less. Self-fruitful.

PIX ZEE MINIATURE PEACH Large fruit ripens mid to late June in Central CA, two weeks before Honey Babe. Delicious, firm, yellow freestone, beautiful red over orange skin. Vigorous to 6 ft. 400 hours or less. Self-fruitful. (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.

DESERT GOLD PEACH Very early: May in S. CA./AZ. Tree-ripened fruit has good flavor and sweetness for such an early variety. Yellow clingstone. Heavy bearing. 200 hours or less. 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.

EARLIGRANDE PEACH Medium sized low chill peach from Gulf Coast Texas. Yellow semi-freestone. Very early (May). Successful in Phoenix, AZ. and similar climates. 300 hours. Self-fruitful.

EVA'S PRIDE PEACH Delicious, fine flavored peach with very low chilling requirement ripens 2-3 weeks before Mid-Pride. Medium to large-sized yellow freestone - also recommended as early season peach for moderate climates - harvest 3 weeks before July Elberta. 100-200 hours. Self-fruitful. (Expired Pat. No. 7751) (Zaiger)

JULY (KIM) ELBERTA PEACH Also called Early Elberta. Reliable heavy crops. Juicy, sweet, very flavorful yellow freestone fruit for canning, freezing, or fresh use. 400-500 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).

MAY PRIDE PEACH Very early ripening peach for warm winter climates. Ripens in May, about with Desert Gold. Delicious, sweet and tangy, semi-freestone when fully ripe. Very large for such an early peach. Large, showy pink blossoms. 150-200 hours. Self-fruitful. (Expired Pat. No. 7775) (Zaiger)

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)

FLORDAHOME PEAR Low-chill pear from Florida. Very nice quality: sweet, smooth-textured, juicy, flavorful. Harvest July/August in S. CA. Early bloom. Chilling requirement less than 400 hours. Partly Self-fruitful.

HOOD PEAR Very low chilling requirement, inter-fruitful with Flordahome. Large, early season fruit has yellow-green skin and sweet, mild-flavored flesh. Reported to be highly resistant to fire blight. 100-200 hours.

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.

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.

BEAUTY PLUM Sweet, flavorful plum, more widely adapted than Santa Rosa (more productive in cool, rainy climates). Red over yellow skin, amber flesh streaked red. Ripens June in Central CA. 250 hours. Self-fruitful.

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.

ELEPHANT HEART PLUM Home-orchard favorite - large, heart-shaped fruit with sweet, juicy, richly flavored, firm red flesh. Dark reddish purple mottled skin. Long harvest season - September in Central CA. Hardy, heavy bearing. 500 hours or less. Pollenize with Beauty or Santa Rosa.

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.

ITALIAN PRUNE Large, purple skin, freestone. Rich flavor, very sweet when fully ripe. Fresh/dried/canned. Vigorous, cold hardy tree. Late bloom. Late summer harvest. 800 hours. Self-fruitful.

SUGAR PRUNE Reddish purple skin, greenish yellow flesh, very sweet. Used fresh and for canning. Lower chilling requirement than other European prune/plums. 550 hours. Self-fruitful.

FLAVOR DELIGHT APRIUM® INTERSPECIFIC Apricot-plum hybrid. Resembles an apricot but with a distinctive flavor and texture all its own. High taste-test scores, one of the most flavorful early season fruits. Early June. Very low chilling requirement. Less than 300 hours. Self-fruitful, but largest crops if pollenized by any apricot. (Expired Pat. No. 7090) (Zaiger)

SWEET TREAT PLUERRY® A hybrid cross between a plum and a sweet cherry. Ripens from mid-July through August. The Fruit is large for a cherry but small compared to most plums. It is juicy and richly sweet, generating high scores in blind taste tests, and hangs on the tree for a long time. Pollinated by Burgundy plum. New from Zaiger Genetics. (Patent pending)

EMERALD DROP PLUOT® INTERSPECIFIC Medium to large in size with green skin and yellow-orange flesh. Prolonged harvest; early picked fruit is firm, yet juicy sweet. Left to hang, fruit turns greenish yellow with honey like orange flesh. Upright tree sets heavy crops once established. Harvest mid-July to late August. Tested as 7HC165. 400 hours or less. Pollenized by Flavor Grenade Pluot® or Santa Rosa plum. (Pat. No. 14599) (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)

FLAVOR KING PLUOT® INTERSPECIFIC Taste test winner. Unique plum apricot hybrid with sensational bouquet and sweet, spicy flavor. Reddish-purple skin, crimson flesh. Harvest mid August in Central CA. Naturally small tree. 400 hours or less. Pollenized by Flavor Supreme or Dapple Dandy Pluot® and Santa Rosa or Late Santa Rosa plum. (Pat. No. 8026) (Zaiger)

FLAVOROSA PLUOT® INTERSPECIFIC Deep purple skinned fruit with red flesh. Mild sweet flavor. Ripens at the end of May. Pollenized by Emerald Drop Pluot® or Mariposa plum. 250 hours chill required. (Pat. No. 10285) (Zaiger)

PARFIANKA POMEGRANATE Wolfskil- Dr. Levin selection. Large size Red fruit is sweet with a hint of acidity. Arils are red with very small edible seeds. Vigorous upright plant sets a heavy crop dependably. Maintain at any height with summer pruning. Always receives the highest praise for overall flavor. Great for juice or fresh eating. 150-200 chill hours. Self-fruitful

GARDEN PRINCE GENETIC DWARF ALMOND Compact, lushly foliated 10-12 ft. tree. Soft shell, kernels especially sweet and tasty. Bears young and heavy. Large, light pink blossoms. 250 hours. Self-fruitful. (Zaiger)

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)

WESTERN SCHLEY PECAN Easy to grow, hardy tree. Less fussy about soil and nutrition. Long, tapered, medium-sized, thin-shelled nuts. Fine quality, mid-season. 250 hours. Self-fruitful

MISTY BLUEBERRY Southern Highbush. Early, in the West Misty is quite vigorous, growing very well both on the coast and in the inland heat. This excellent flavored fruit does well in areas with chilling as low as 150 hours and all areas with mild winters and hot summers.

O'NEAL BLUEBERRY Southern Highbush (low chill, tolerates heat). Large fruit is especially sweet and flavorful. Early season. Soil must be acidic, high in humus. 5-6 ft. bush. 200 hours. Self-fruitful, but plant two varieties for largest crops.

PINK LEMONADE BLUEBERRY Pink Lemonade offers something unique in edible fruits. White translucent berries mature to a luscious bright pink and taste wonderfully sweet with a firm, clear texture. 'Pink Lemonade' will produce farther south than many traditional blueberry cultivars. Berry color and flavor will attract both gourmet cooks and those seeking a culinary novelty, however, it is the beauty of the plant that will earn respect of gardeners everywhere. Estimated Chill 400 - 500 hours.

SHARPBBLUE BLUEBERRY Southern Highbush. Excellent flavor. Nearly evergreen in mild winter climates. Bares fruit nearly year-round. Vigorous plant to 6 ft. Dime-sized dark blue fruit. 200 hours.

SOUTHMOON BLUEBERRY Southern Highbush. Exceptional berries with superb flavor. Florida native with vigorous, upright character. Performs well in CA, both inland and coastal. Prefers light sandy soils. 200-300 hours. (Pat. No. 9834)

SUNSHINE BLUE BLUEBERRY Southern Highbush cultivar. Great flavored firm berries. Ripens May 10 through June 15 at Gainesville, Florida. A semi dwarf evergreen bush with great fall color. Showy hot pink flowers fade to white in spring. Self-fruitful. Estimated chilling hours needed 150 hours, but very cold hardy as well.

PRAIRIFIRE™ FLOWERING CRABAPPLE Crimson buds followed by long-lasting, single, hot pink blossoms. Persistent dark red fruit. New foliage reddish-maroon, aging to reddish green. Highly resistant to fire blight, scab, cedar apple rust and powdery mildew. Tree form is upright, spreading, eventually round. 20 by 20 ft.

BONITA® ASH - Fraxinus velutina 'Bonita' Broad canopy. Fast growing shade tree. Good performer in the desert southwest. Long lasting yellow fall color. Size to 35 ft. x 35 ft. USDA zone 6.

FAN TEX™ ASH - Fraxinus velutina 'Fan Tex™' Superior selection of Arizona ash. Large dark green leaves, symmetrical canopy, fast growing, seedless. Good tree for Southwestern desert climates. Budded onto seedling Arizona Ash.

RAYWOOD ASH - Fraxinus oxycarpa 'Raywoodi' Fast growing, tolerates heat, cold, alkaline soil. Compact, round-headed. Small, delicate leaves, lacy appearance. Purplish-red fall color. No seeds. 25-35 ft.

PURPLE SMOKE TREE - Cotinus coggygia 'atropurpurea' Purple foliage, rich purple "smoke": hazy appearing clusters of fuzzy, purple flower stalks. Multi trunked shrub or small tree to 20 by 20 ft. Likes cold, needs good drainage, resists oak root fungus. All Zones.

ARIZONA SYCAMORE - Platanus wrightii Medium sized tree 60-80 ft. With star shaped leaves having 3-5 sharply pointed lobes. Open, spreading canopy and exfoliating, "jigsaw puzzle" bark. Native to riparian areas of southern Arizona, New Mexico, and Northern Mexico.

PAKISTAN FRUITING MULBERRY Long (3 inches), firm, red to black, sweet fruit. Non-staining juice. Month-long early summer harvest. Fruit used fresh and for pies, jams and jellies. Large, vigorous, disease-resistant tree.