



FRUIT VARIETIES AT RINGMER COMMUNITY ORCHARD

APPLE VARIETIES

ADAMS PEARMAIN

1826 Hereford. Rich, aromatic nutty flavour. Orange red flush over greenish, yellow gold. **2**

ASHMEAD'S KERNEL

1782 William Ashmead, Gloucester. Strong sweet-sharp flavour. Greenish-yellow with some russeting. **4** triploid

COURT PENDU PLAT

1613 Normandy. Orange red stripes over green yellow background. Rich, tasting eating apple with pineapple like acidity. Late flowering. **5**

FIRST AND LAST

First described in 1850. Lemon yellow skin flushed red. The flesh is crisp and fine with a good flavour. Stores very well. Robert Hogg wrote that "it is much grown in the northern part of the county about Horsham and sent to Brighton market." **4**

EDWARD V11

1902 Worcester. Blenheim Orange x Golden Noble. Well-flavoured cooking apple. Green-yellow colour. Late flowering. October and stored until April. **6**

LORD DERBY

1862 B. Witham, Stockport, Cheshire. Green, good flavoured cooking apple losing flavour as it stores. **5**

LORD HINDLIP

Arose in Worcestershire and first exhibited in 1896. Very late ripening. Greenish-yellow flushed with red. Rich vinous flavour **3**

LORD LAMBOURNE

1907 Laxton Brothers Bedford. Worcester Pearmain x James Grieve. Slight strawberry flavour with some acidity. Bright red flush with broken stripes over greenish-yellow background. **3**

ORLEANS REINETTE

Probably originated in France and first described in 1776. Orange red colour over gold with aromatic, nutty sweet taste. **4**

RED WINDSOR

Originally called Red Alkmene raised in Germany 1930s. Orange red colour over yellow. Early rich, aromatic, crisp apple. Some resistance to scab and mildew. **2**

RIBSTON PIPPIN

1707 Normandy & Ribston Hall, Yorkshire. Intense, rich, aromatic flavour. Brownish orange flush and red stripes over yellow green. **2**

Triploid

ROSEMARY RUSSET

First recorded in 1831. The fruits are coloured orange or reddish brown with covering of fine russet with a sweet yet acid flavour and lots of juice. Deep pink blossom **3**

SCRUMPTIOUS

1985 H Ermen Faversham Kent. Starkspur Golden Delicious x Discovery. Pink flush with sweet, crisp, juicy taste. **3**

SALTCOTE PIPPIN

1918 A variety which was cultivated by James Hoad of Rye from either a Ribston Pippin or Radford Beauty seedling. Awarded an RHS Award of Merit 1928. The name derives from the salt which was collected and dried on the river Rother at Rye and then stored in "cote" where it would be stored. A medium to large, handsome apple with has a rich, aromatic flavour. Pale to golden yellow in colour with a orange red to carmine flush with some russeting on the body of the apple. A moderately vigorous, spreading tree which crops well. Pick early October and then stored until Nov-Jan. **3**

TINSLEY QUINCE

1942 Crawley. The tree is moderately vigorous and forms a spreading canopy of branches. The apple has a slight quince-like taste and smell when ripe. The flesh is sweet and firm. Fruit is greenish-yellow with a few russet dots and is slightly greasy. Flat to rectangular in shape and ribbed slightly on the body of the fruit. Pick early October and can be stored till November. **2**

PEAR VARIETIES

BEURRE HARDY

Boulogne, France 1820. Light green covered with red-bronze russet. Juicy with subtle flavour. Group 3

CONCORDE.

East Malling 1977. Doyenne du Comice x Conference. Pale green turning yellow with gold russet. Sweet and juicy with a good flavour.

Group 4

ONWARD

Wisley, Surrey 1947. Laxtons Superb x Comice. Light green fruit changing to yellow-green. Some have pinkish flush, others a heavy russet. Sweet, rich, juicy flavour.

Group 4

PLUM VARIETIES

ANNA SPATH.

Kodoszbe, Hungary 1874 and introduced by Spath's Nursery of Berlin. September fruiting purple plum with good flavour. Desert and culinary. Group 3

CAMBRIDGE GAGE

Believed to be Greengage seedling and first grown commercially by Chivers and Son, Histon 1927. Eating or cooking plum. Green skin with heavy bloom. Reliable cropper. Partially self-fertile. Group 4

DENNISTON'S SUPERB

Flushing, New York 1790. Originally called Imperial Gage. Medium sized yellow fruit with sweet flavour. Hardy tree which is self fertile and a good pollinator. Group 2

MARJORIES SEEDLING.

1923 GW Layley Beenham Berks. Medium sized fruit with bloomy blue-black skin. Desert and culinary. September fruiting. Partially self fertile. Group 3

OPAL

Raised at the Horticultural Research Station, Alnarp, Sweden in 1925 from a cross between Oullin's Gage and Early Favourite. Reddish purple flush over a yellow bloomy skin. Speckled with small white spots. Firm, pale gold flesh. Good sweet flavour. Self-fertile and a heavy regular cropper. Group 3

VALOR

1933 Ontario, Canada. Imperial Epineuse x Grand Duke. Large dark purple fruit with good flavour. September fruiting. Group 3

QUINCE

SERBIAN GOLD

Serbian Gold quince also known as Leschovach originates from Serbia. The fruit is medium sized and apple shaped. It ripens to a bright yellow colour by October when it is ready for picking. The flesh is pale yellow, hard and acid. It breaks up quickly when cooked and is good for making jelly. Some resistance to quince leaf blight.