

Choosing a variety

Use this guide to help you choose what variety of fruit you would like to grow!

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Variety	Type	Fertility	Description
Apples			
Adam's Pearmain	Dessert	SS-C	Late dessert apple that was popular in Victorian England. The taste is on the dry sharp side, with a blend of subtly sweet, nutty flavours.
Alderman	Culinary	SS-C	Scottish culinary variety that cooks to a sharp puree.
Alpigala	Dessert	PSF-D	Very dark red fruit that is crisp, juicy and sweet.
Allington Pippin	Dual-purpose	PSF-C	A late dual-purpose variety that stores well. Also good in juice and cider. The flavour is strong and bitter-sweet with a hint of pineapple.
American Mother	Dessert	PSF-C	An old American variety producing sweet, juicy dessert apples with a hint of vanilla flavour.
Annie Elizabeth	Culinary	PSF-D	A late-season, heavy-cropping, culinary apple with a sweet, light flavour and white flesh which keeps its shape when cooked.
Apricot	Dessert		Named for their apricot-like flavour, these apples are late ripening and creamy.
Arthur Turner	Culinary	PSF-C	One of the best early cookers, perfect for making baked apple and apple sauce. Produces beautiful pink blossom.
Ashmead's Kernel	Dual-purpose	SST-D	An old green russeted apple with a distinctive aromatic flavour. Also great for cooking, juicing and cider making. Stores well.
Ashton Bitter	Cider	SS-D	An early season bittersweet cider apple. Dry with mild acidity and fruity aromas.
Bakran	Dessert		A very old Iranian red-fleshed variety. The young leaves and wood of the tree are also red. Fruit are juicy sweet and sharp.
Barnack Beauty	Dual-purpose	SS-D	A late season dual-purpose variety with a strong, rich aromatic flavour. The blossom and fruit are both very attractive.
Beauty of Bath	Culinary	SS-C	An early season, heavy cropping cooking apple. The fruit is sweet with white flesh.
Bess Pool	Dessert	SS-C	A very late flowering tree that produces sweet apples that can be stored until March. Good for frost-prone sites.
Blenheim Orange	Dual-purpose	SST-D	A popular dual-purpose variety with a distinctive nutty flavour. Vigorous grower and heavy cropper.
Bloody Ploughman	Dessert	SS-C	This vigorous tree produces dark red fruits with crisp, juicy flesh that is not too sweet. Grows well in cold spots.
Bountiful	Culinary	SS-B	An attractive mid-season culinary apple that keeps its shape when cooked. Crisp and juicy with a sharp flavour that mellows in storage.
Bramall Lane Champagne	Dessert	PSF-U	Late-season Sheffield eating apple. A heavy, reliable cropper with crisp, juicy and sweet fruits that can hang on the tree into the new year.
Bramley's Seedling	Culinary	SST-D	The definitive English cooking apple. Vigorous grower and heavy cropper. Stores well and makes a good addition to juice and cider.
Court Pendu Plat	Dessert	SS-G	A very old variety originating in France in the 1600s. Small to medium sized fruit with a flattened shape. Rich, sweet and sharp flavour.

Key	
Fertility	
The format shows you the fertility type first, followed by the pollination group. So SS-C means self-sterile, pollination group C.	
SF	Self-fertile, meaning the tree will pollinate itself without needing a pollination partner.
SS	Self-sterile. This means the tree needs a pollination partner in order to produce fruit - either from the same pollination group or a neighbouring one. So, SS-C means the tree is in pollination group C and needs a pollination partner in group B, C or D.
PSF	Partially self-fertile. The tree can produce some fruit without another tree's pollen, but will fruit better with a pollination partner.
SST	Self-sterile triploid. Not only is the tree self-sterile, but it also cannot pollinate other trees.
Type	
Dessert	Eating apple
Culinary	Cooking apple
Dual-purp	Good for eating and cooking
Cider	Suitable for making cider

Cox's Orange Pippin	Dessert	SS-C	A classic English dessert apple with a pronounced and complex 'aromatic' flavour.
Crawley Beauty	Culinary	SS-H	A mid to late season cooking apple that can also be eaten fresh when ripe. Fruit is yellow with an orange-red flush.
Crispin	Dual-purpose	SS-B	Produces tasty, yellow fruits that can be enjoyed fresh or cooked. The fruit have a complex flavour with notes of spice, sweetness, and honey.
Discovery	Dessert	SS-C	Easy to grow early dessert variety. Crisp and juicy with hints of strawberry. Best eaten soon after picking.
Downton Pippin	Dessert	SS-D	An old apple variety with a strong cidery flavour popular in Victorian England. Fruit are greenish-yellow, becoming golden.
Duke of Devonshire	Dessert	SS-C	A late dessert apple with an intense sweet-sharp flavour. Produces golden-green fruit with some russetting.
Egremont Russet	Dessert	PSF-B	A medium sized apple. The colour is an attractive dull gold, flecked with yellow. Traditionally described as "nutty", the flavour is delicate, and quite sweet.
Ellis Bitter	Cider	SS-F	A traditional cider apple widely grown in the West Country. Produces a sweet, astringent juice and medium bittersweet cider.
Ellison's Orange	Dessert	PSF-D	Exceptionally flavoursome orange-flushed dessert apple. Very juicy, with soft flesh almost like a pear. Develops hint of aniseed flavour when very ripe.
Évita (Red Topaz)	Dessert	SS-C	Also known as Red Topaz, this is a redder strain of the modern Topaz variety. Crisp texture with a complex flavour, both sweet and tart.
Fiesta	Dessert	PSF-D	Mid-season dessert apple that is easy to grow and stores well. The medium-size red fruit are very crisp and juicy with a good sweet flavour.
Fillingham Pippin	Dessert	SS-C	Fabulous pink blossom. Apples have firm, finely textured flesh with an intensely fruity, acid flavour.
Flower of the Town	Dessert	SS-C	A rare dessert apple variety from Yorkshire. Produces sharp tasting fruit with an attractive bright red flush.
Forty Shilling	Dessert	SS-D	A hardy mid-season dessert variety. Fruit has yellow-green skin, strongly flushed and striped with red, and soft, juicy, cream flesh with a sharp flavour.
Gala Alpigala	Dessert	PSF-D	Intense red colour with many stripes. Fruit is crisp and sweet.
George Cave	Dessert	SS-C	An early English apple ripening in early/mid August. Best eaten straight from the tree.
George Fox	Dual-purpose	PSF-B	A rare dual-purpose variety named after the founder of the Quaker movement. Produces large yellow pink-speckled fruit.
Golden Delicious	Dessert	SS-D	A popular yellow-skinned dessert variety. The fruits are medium-sized with a crisp firm texture and sweet flavour.
Green Balsam	Culinary	PSF-B	An old Yorkshire variety that produces attractive pink-white blossom and small, bright green cooking apples.
Greensleeves	Dessert	PSF-B	A reliable and popular mid-season green/yellow apple, easy to grow and productive. Sweet and sharp flavour. Particularly good for juicing.
Greenup's Pippin	Dual-purpose	SS-C	An old dual-purpose apple from the North of England, also known as Yorkshire Beauty. Produces handsome yellow fruit that are juicy and sharp.
Herefordshire Russet®	Dessert	SF-C	An excellent new dessert variety. Produces small golden-russeted fruit packed with a delicious Cox-like flavour. Strong grower and heavy cropper.
Howgate Wonder	Culinary	PSF-D	An exceptionally large and attractive culinary apple that is quite sweet and keeps its shape when cooked. Vigorous grower and heavy cropper.
Irish Peach	Dessert	SS-B	A popular early season apple. Small yellow fruit with a dull dark crimson flush and faint stripes
James Grieve	Dual-purpose	SF-C	A popular dual-purpose variety. Produces heavy crops of large flushed apples with an excellent refreshing flavour.
Jester	Dessert	SS-D	An attractive, red-flushed dessert apple with good frost resistance. Fruit is crisp and sweet.
Jonagold	Dessert	SST-D	An attractive red-flushed dessert apple. Crisp and juicy with a rich, honeyed flavour. Vigorous grower and heavy cropper.

Jupiter	Dessert	SST-D	A very large red-flushed eating apple with a superb flavour that is similar to Cox. Vigorous grower and reliable heavy cropper.
Katy	Dessert	SS-C	One of the best early season varieties. Produces reliable crops of attractive red apples that are particularly good for juicing.
Keswick Codlin	Culinary	PSF-B	A traditional early season cooking apple with a long, rather squashed shape and pale green-yellow colour. Can be eaten fresh when ripe.
Kidd's Orange Red	Dessert	SS-D	A deliciously sweet variety that crops late in the season. The crimson-pink blossom is especially attractive.
King of the Pippins	Dual-purpose	PSF-D	A popular and versatile dual-purpose variety, widely grown in the Victorian era. Apples have a good flavour when ripe and keep their shape when cooked.
Laxton's Epicure	Dessert	PSF-C	Early season dessert apple. Produces heavy crops of small flushed fruit that are sweet, juicy and lightly aromatic.
Laxton's Superb	Dessert	PSF-D	A wonderfully sweet dessert apple with crisp and juicy flesh. A vigorous grower with a tendency for biennial cropping.
Limelight	Dessert	SS-D	A mid-season dessert apple that is easy to grow and stores well. The fruit are yellow-green and deliciously crisp, sharp and refreshing.
Lord Lambourne	Dessert	PSF-C	A high quality traditional English dessert apple. Red blush fruit and creamy white flesh with a crisp juicy flavour.
Michelin	Cider	SS-D	A traditional French cider apple variety producing medium bittersweet juice. Reliable and heavy cropper.
Miller's Seedling	Dessert	PSF-C	Early season dessert apple. Small to medium-sized yellow fruit with a red flush. The flesh is white, sweet and juicy.
Millicent Barnes	Dessert	SS-C	An old mid-season red-flushed dessert apple from Cheshire with quite a sharp brisk flavour.
Morgan Sweet	Cider	SST-C	Early ripening sweet cider variety from Somerset. Produces a juice which is sweet, light and fruity. A vigorous grower and heavy cropper.
Newton Wonder	Dual-purpose	PSF-D	A large green cooking apple that stores well and mellows into a sharp but flavoursome dessert apple in winter.
Northern Greening	Culinary	SS-C	A very old English cooking apple that was popular in the Victorian era. Flushed, medium-sized fruit. Stores well and cooks to a juicy puree.
Peasgood's Nonsuch	Dual-purpose	PSF-C	A large, handsome dual-purpose variety from the Victorian era. Makes an excellent baked apple.
Pitmaston Pineapple	Dessert	SS-D	An exceptional apple with a powerful nutty flavour, honey sweet yet sharp. Fruit is a warm yellow colour.
Pixie	Dessert	SS-E	A small apple, ideal for the garden, since it grows easily and crops well. The flavour is refreshing and sharp.
Queen Cox	Dessert	SS-C	A late-season dessert apple. The fruit have firm, slightly acidic flesh with a rich, aromatic flavour.
Rajka	Dessert	SS-C	A modern, disease-resistant variety from the Czech Republic. Produces attractive red apples that are sweet, crisp and very juicy.
Red Ellison	Dessert	PSF-D	A redder variation descended from Ellison's Orange. Produces richly-coloured fruit that are very juicy with a distinctive aromatic flavour.
Redlove Calypso®	Dessert		Ripening in late September, fruit is aromatic, sweet and juicy with beautiful dark red flesh.
Ribston Pippin	Dessert	SST-C	A famous Yorkshire variety. Strong-tasting, sweet and aromatic. Red-orange streaks over green skin, with creamy yellow, fine textured flesh.
Rosemary Russet	Dessert	SS-C	A classic English russet variety. The fruit are juicy and crisp with a strong sharp flavour and store well.
Royal Jubilee	Culinary	SF-F	A cooking apple named in honour of Queen Victoria's Jubilee. Produces large yellow fruit that make a good addition to juice.
Santana	Dessert	SS-C	A firm and crunchy dessert apple with a light floral flavour. Good balance of sweetness and sharpness.
Saturn	Dessert	SF-C	A modern English dessert apple. The cream coloured flesh is crunchy, sweet, honeyed and quite rich.
Schoolmaster	Culinary	SS-C	A very hardy, heavy cropping late season cooking apple. Cooks to a sharp, fruity white puree.

Scrumptious®	Dessert	SF-D	A sweet, medium-sized apple. The colour is a very appealing shade of red.
Somerset Redstreak	Cider	SS-D	An attractive cider apple that produces sweet astringent juice and medium bittersweet cider. Excellent when blended with other varieties.
Sops in Wine	Dual-purpose	SS-C	An old English variety that is pleasant to eat fresh or cooked. It has attractive dark pink blossom and crimson fruits with pink stained flesh.
Spartan	Dessert	SF-C	A small late-season dessert apple with a wonderfully sweet, vinous flavour. The colour is a deep red, almost purple.
Topaz	Dessert	SS-D	A modern, disease-resistant late dessert variety with a refreshing sharp flavour. Produces heavy crops of medium-size red-flushed fruit that store well.
Tydemans Early Worcester	Dessert	PSF-C	Early season dessert apple. Crimson red skin with white, crisp, juicy flesh. Sweet, aromatic flavour that is reminiscent of strawberries.
Tydemans Late Orange	Dessert	SS-D	A crisp and refreshing late dessert apple with a delicious Cox-like flavour. The fruit can be stored for many months.
Worcester Pearmain	Dessert	PSF-C	Early season dessert apple. The fruit has an intense strawberry flavour when well-ripened and scarlet.
Winston	Dessert	SF-D	Crimson coloured dessert apple with a crisp texture and sweet aromatic taste. Stores very well over the winter.
Winter Gem	Dessert	SS-D	A high quality late dessert variety with a very good aromatic flavour. Stores well into the new year, hence its name.
Withington Welter	Culinary		A huge green cooking apple that packs a lot of flavour and cooks down to a fluff. Perfect for purees and sauces.
Wyken Pippin	Dessert	SS-D	A small dessert apple originating from the 1700s. The flesh is very juicy and sweet and the flavour improves in storage.
Yorkshire Cockpit	Dessert	SST-C	A once highly prized Yorkshire cooking apple. Cooks down to a lovely flavoursome puree.
Yorkshire Greening	Culinary	SST-C	Old culinary variety from Yorkshire, well-suited to a northern climate. Cooks down to a richly flavoured pale green puree.
Pears			
Beurre Hardy	Dessert	SS-B	A very tasty dessert pear with a hint of rose flavour and juicy, melt-in-the-mouth flesh. Well suited to northern climates.
Catillac	Culinary	SST-D	'Catillac' is a culinary pear. The fruits are large and hard with slightly gritty flesh that turns pink in cooking.
Concorde	Dessert	PSF-C	A superb, heavy cropping dessert variety. The yellow russeted fruit are sweet, juicy and buttery.
Doyenne du Comice	Dessert	SS-C	Considered one of the finest dessert pears. The large fruit are pale yellow with a rosy flush when ripe. The flesh is rich, juicy and buttery.
Gorham	Dual-purpose	SF	Ready to be picked from mid-september onwards. Fruit has a popular sweet, musky flavour with white and tender, melting flesh.
Hessle	Dual-purpose	SS-D	A hardy, dual-purpose pear variety that grows well in cooler regions. Small green fruit with white, juicy flesh.
Improved Fertility	Dessert	PSF-D	An excellent eating pear, ready to be picked in September. Flesh is white, tinged green, very sweet and juicy.
Louise Bonne of Jersey	Dessert	PSF-C	An attractive red-flushed French dessert pear. Richly flavoured, buttery and juicy.
Winter Nellis	Dessert	SS-D	A late season variety. The taste of Winter Nellis pears is rich with lots of aroma. It's sweet and juicy with very little crunch to it.
Plums/Gages			
Guinevere	Dessert	SF-C	A late season heavy cropping dessert plum. The fruit have an intense sweet, nectar-like, juicy flavour.
Jubilee	Dual-purpose	SF-D	A modern plum variety similar to Victoria, producing fruit that are larger and ripen slightly earlier. Suitable for cooler climates.
Marjorie's Seedling	Culinary	SF-E	An excellent late season culinary variety that can also be enjoyed as a sharp dessert plum.
Opal	Dessert	SF-C	Produces early crops of deliciously sweet dessert plums. The fruit are an attractive yellow flushed with reddish-purple.

Oullins Golden Gage	Dual-purpose	PSF-D	Produces large, attractive, golden-yellow fruit with a pleasant flavour. Great for cooking, bottling and freezing.
Seneca	Dessert	SS-C	A very large high quality late season dessert plum. Produces reddish-purple fruit with sweet yellow flesh.
Victoria	Dessert	SF-C	A very popular English dessert plum. The fruit are pinkish-red, sweet and juicy, and are wonderful to eat fresh or cooked.
Cherries			
Giorgia	Dessert	SF	An early fruiting cherry variety originating from Italy. The fruits are large, heart-shaped, dark red and aromatic.
Kordia	Dessert	SS-E	Mid-season sweet cherry. Produces heavy crops of large dark red, almost black fruit.
Merchant	Dessert	SS-C	One of the best early season sweet cherry varieties. The fruit are large and dark red, with an excellent flavour.