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Apple Varieties



Variety	Characteristics	Best In	In Store	“U-Pick”	For Baking	For Pie	For Sauce	Fresh / Salad	Comments
Paula Red	Red with yellow markings	August	X	X	F	G	E	G	Exquisite flavor and crunch
Honey Crisp	Distinct, two-toned markings	Aug–Sept	X		G	G	G	G	Slightly tart flavor
Gala	Reddish orange	September	X	X	G	G	G	E	Outstanding, sweet, crisp
Jonagold	Orange/red, tangy-sweet	September	X	X	G	E	G	E	Jonathan-Golden Delicious cross
Empire	Red, crisp, juicy, slightly tart	Sept–Oct	X	X	G	G	F	E	Red Delicious-McIntosh cross
Red Delicious	Red, juicy, rich, sweet	Sept–Oct	X	X	F	F	F	E	Commonly eaten fresh
Jonathan	Light red, slightly tart, juicy	Sept–Oct	X	X	G	E	G	E	Excellent all-purpose apple
Ozark Gold	Yellow, fine, crisp fresh	Sept–Oct	X	X	E	E	G	G	Excellent keeper; pear-like
Golden Delicious	Yellow, semi-firm, sweet	Sept–Oct	X	X	E	G	E	E	Slow to brown after slicing
Fuji	Orange/red, sweet, crisp	Sept–Oct	X	X	G	G	G	E	Applesauce needs little sugar
Braeburn	Large, red, great texture	October	X	X	G	G	G	E	Well-balanced flavor
Granny Smith	Green, juicy, tart, firm, crisp	October	X	X	E	E	G	G	Excellent for pies
Winesap	Dark red, crisp, fairly tart	October	X	X	E	E	F	G	Excellent keeper
Turley	Green with red blush; tart, firm	October	X	X	E	G	G	G	Good keeper

Abbreviations: E = Excellent G = Good F = Fair

Helpful hints about apples:

- Allow approximately two pounds of apples for one 9" pie.
- One bushel of apples will yield approximately 18-20 quarts of canned or frozen apple slices.
- Lemon juice helps prevent discoloration after slicing.
- Leave peels on apples for a rosy colored applesauce.
- Poach apples in cider and season with nutmeg for a tasty dessert.

Did you know?

- For the 2015 fall season, Arbor Day Farm hand-dipped nearly 12,000 **caramel apples** — with and without nuts.
- Arbor Day Farm **apple cider** is pressed and bottled on-site in the Cider Room, inside the Apple House Market.
- The Preservation Orchard at Arbor Day Farm has 65 varieties of **heirloom apples**, some dating as far back as the 1500s.

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