

FRUIT TREES

Apple - Malus

Battleford - large fruit, striped red over light yellow. Excellent for cooking. Matures in late August. Tree is very hardy.

Collet - medium to large-sized apple, medium red over creamy green colour, excellent for eating and cooking and stores well. One of the best apples for a sheltered location in Zone 3. Discovered by Mr. Albert Collet of Notre Dame de Lourdes, Manitoba.

Fall Red - large fruit, dull red with white flesh. Good quality and texture for cooking. This vigorous grower ripens in mid-September.

Goodland - large apple, creamy yellow with a splash of red, flesh is white. Excellent for eating fresh and cooking. Ripens late August, stores well.

Norkent - large fruit, pleasant apple/pear taste similar to 'Golden Delicious'. Very hardy, derived from a 'Haralson' x 'Rescue' cross. A natural semi-dwarf, fruit maturing late August and suitable for storage.

Norland - large, sweet apple, red over creamy green, excellent for eating fresh, juice and sauce. Ripens early August, and fruits early in life and heavily annually.

Prairie Magic[®] - the very best fruit we have tasted from a hardy apple. The medium to large sized fruit matures in mid-September and is crisp and delicious. The tree has good cold hardiness and disease resistance. Developed by the late Mr. Wilfred Drysdale of Neepawa, Manitoba from a 'Goodland' x 'Mantet' seedling. COPF Royalty 50¢.

Red Sparkle - a medium sized fruit, with a nutty/fruity taste that comes from the 'Trail' x 'McIntosh' cross. Apples matures in early September and is an excellent desert apple which stores well. A Morden Research Station introduction.

September Ruby - medium sized fruit, bright red colour, light green ribbing and light green flesh colour. Excellent eating fresh and in cooking. This vigorous grower ripens in early September and stores well.

Applecrab - Malus

Kerr - small fruit, deep red, crisp white flesh with a sweet-tart taste. Good for eating fresh, canning, jelly or juice. Ripens in late September and stores extremely well. Tree is a heavy producer, strong and vigorous grower and is resistant to fireblight.

Rescue - small fruit, greenish-yellow, striped dull red, flesh is cream coloured, very sweet for eating fresh and good for canning. Ripens in early August. The tree is very hardy, productive and an annual bearer.

Shafer - small fruit, sweet fruit like its 'Trail' parent. Stores better than its 'Rescue' parent.

Trail - small fruit, striped red over yellow. Excellent for eating fresh because of its sweet juicy flavour. Very productive.

Crabapple - Malus

Dolgo - see listing on page 8.



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Dwarf Apple - *Malus*

Available cultivars:

- 'Goodland'
- 'Norkent'
- 'Red Sparkle'
- 'Prairie Magic'

We are pleased to offer you a selection of prairie hardy apples grown on Ottawa #3 dwarfing rootstocks. These apple trees will be approximately 50% smaller in size than apple trees growing on the standard rootstock.

The **advantages** of using dwarf apples are:

1. The apple tree will begin to bear fruit earlier; significant fruit production may be two years earlier than with apple trees growing on a standard rootstock.
2. The apple trees are smaller and will take up less space in your yard. The result is less cost and effort to maintain and harvest.
3. By fruiting earlier dwarf apple trees reduce the vigorous vegetative growth and therefore makes the tree more winter hardy.



Dwarf Apple

FACTS ABOUT FRUIT TREES

Cross Pollination

The majority of the hardy fruit tree cultivars you plant in your yard require cross pollination by another cultivar from the same fruit group. For example: All apples, crabapples and apple-crabs are closely related and can be used to cross pollinate each other. You need a minimum of two different cultivars from this group to have successful cross pollination that leads to a good quantity of fruit. So, if you have a 'Prairie Magic' apple you need a cultivar other than 'Prairie Magic' for cross pollination success. Bees and insects can cross pollinate your tree from other apple trees growing in the neighborhood if they are within 150 metres (450 feet) of your tree. Plum, Pear and Apricot trees also require cross pollination by another cultivar or seedling from their group.

Pruning

Heading back and thinning of fruit trees should always be done when the tree is dormant. At the garden centre, most fruit trees are one or two years old and the basic shape has not yet been established. Summer pruning to remove leafy foliage and expose ripening fruit to more sun should be done about a month before picking.

Harvesting

Colour, firmness and flavour are useful indicators to determine when fruit are ready to pick. To determine when **apples** are ripe, look for (1) green portions of the skin start to turn yellow; (2) seed coats turn brown; (3) flesh changes from tough and pulpy to crisp and juicy; and (4) fruit stem separates from the tree. **Pears** should be picked when still firm but somewhat green in colour. If left to ripen on the tree, they may turn brown and soft. **Plums** and **apricots** may be left on the tree until nearly ready to eat.

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Raspberry - *Rubus*

Summer Bearing - *Florican*

Boyne - a red raspberry with medium acid and aromatic flavour. Plants are vigorous, productive and hardy. Excellent for eating fresh, jam, freezing, canning and dessert. A Morden Research Station introduction. Received a Merit Award from the Canadian Society for Horticultural Science.

Souris - an improved selection of 'Boyne' because it is better tasting, a heavier producer of fruit and has 15% better spider mite resistance. A Morden Research Station introduction. Propagation by licence only.

Fall Bearing - *Primocane*

Double Delight - this hardy raspberry has large fruit with a delicious, sweet tangy taste. It produces fruit from mid-August to frost. The height of this upright plant exceeds 4 feet. A Morden Research Station introduction. Propagation by licence agreement only.

Red River - another delicious tasting raspberry that is slightly smaller than 'Double Delight'. It produces fruit from early August to frost. The plant form is cascading and the height does not exceed 3 feet. A Morden Research Station introduction. Propagation by licence agreement only.

Rhubarb - *Rheum*

Honey Red - a cultivar developed in Saskatchewan and noted for extra fine, red fruit stalks. The best we have tested.

Saskatoon - *Amelanchier*

A native shrub on the prairies producing unique, tasty fruit. Zone 2.

Honeywood - selection that has large fruit of excellent quality. Flowers 4-8 days later than other cultivars. Selected by A.J. Porter near Parkside, SK. COPF Royalty 25¢.

Saskatoon - *Amelanchier*

Martin - the very best tasting saskatoon yet. The ripening of the berries is more uniform. This large fruited seedling of 'Thiessen' was selected by Dieter Martin of Langham, Saskatchewan.

Northline - seedling strain grown for its excellent flavour and outstanding productivity.

Parkhill - seedling strain grown for fruit of mild flavour, even ripening, and ornamental characteristics. Grows to 1.5 m in height. Resistant to Entomosporium leaf and berry spot.

Smoky - large fruited selection from Alberta, known for excellent flavour and yield.

Success - seedling strain grown for its mild tasting, large fruit (14 mm) and ornamental characteristics. Grows to 3 m in height. Resistant to Entomosporium leaf and berry spot.

Thiessen - a columnar plant to 10 feet that produces a large fruit of outstanding quality. Uneven fruit ripening characteristic. Selected near Hepburn, Saskatchewan.

Strawberry - *Fragaria*

Day Neutral - fruits in its first year. Fruiting is light in early spring and heavy in August.

Tribute - the fruit is very sweet, firm and has an excellent flavour.

Tristar - another excellent tasting strawberry that has very uniform berry size.

June Bearing

Glooscap - a new strawberry with dark red fruit, good taste and mid-season fruiting.

Kent - the fruit is produced in the mid-season and is of high quality and yield. Considered superior to 'Redcoat'.

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Cranberry - *Viburnum*

Alaska Cranberry

Viburnum trilobum 'Alaska'

Height: 10 Feet (3 m)
Fruit Colour: Bright red
Fruit Size: Clusters (1 cm)
Zone: 2

A native species that produces flat clusters of white flowers followed by attractive, bright red cranberry clusters in the summer. The lobed leaves turn a scarlet red in the fall.

Wentworth Cranberry

Viburnum trilobum 'Wentworth'

Height: 8 - 10 Feet (3 m)
Fruit Colour: Bright red
Fruit Size: Clusters (1 cm)
Zone: 2

A heavy fruited form of the native Highbush Cranberry. The fruit is good for preserves.

Currant - *Ribes*

Black Currant - large, black berries maturing in mid-season, useful for jelly. Zone 2.

Red Currant - large, bright red berries in long bunches for jams, jellies and preserves. Matures in mid-season. Zone 2.

Gooseberry - *Ribes*

Pixwell - a very productive gooseberry. Produces pale green fruit that becomes pink as it ripens. Few thorns. Zone 3.

Thoreson - a disease resistant, high quality, dessert gooseberry. The fruit is large, dark red and weighs in at 4 grams per berry. Zone 3.

You can check fruit availability on-line at
www.jeffriesnurseries.com

Grape - *Vitis*

Beta Grape

Vitis x 'Beta'

Fruit Colour: Blue-black
Zone: 3

A hardy grape with quality similar to Ontario blue grapes. A hybrid between Native Grape and the well-known variety 'Concord'. Excellent for wine and jelly.

Frontenac Grape

Vitis x 'Frontenac'

Fruit Colour: Reddish-purple
Zone: 4

A red wine grape of very good quality. Possesses good resistance to powdery mildew. Developed by the University of Minnesota.

Minnesota 78 Grape

Vitis x 'Minnesota 78'

Fruit Colour: Reddish-purple
Zone: 4

Known for fruit that is sweeter and larger than 'Beta'. Produces only female flowers, requires a pollinator. Very productive.

Native Grape

Vitis riparia

Fruit Colour: Blue
Zone: 2

This grape has attractive, lustrous foliage and produces small, tart fruit that is excellent for wine or jelly. Pick fruit after the first frost.

Valiant Grape

Vitis x 'Valiant'

Fruit Colour: Blue-purple
Zone: 3

free of astringency and skin does not adhere to the flesh. This prolific grape is an annual bearer and is earlier maturing and harder than 'Beta'. Excellent for wine and jelly.



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Apricot - *Prunus*

M-604 - maternal parent to 'Westcot'; larger fruit, but requires sheltered location. Zone 3.

Manchurian Strain - a select strain developed from local seed. Suitable pollinator for other apricots. Zone 3.

Westcot - large, golden fruit, hardy flower buds, freestone. Zone 3.

Chokecherry - *Prunus*

Garrington Chokecherry,
Prunus virginiana 'Garrington'



Height: 8 - 10 Feet (3 m)
Fruit Colour: Dark purple
Fruit Size: Clusters (1 cm)
Zone: 2

Plant produces fruit consistently and prolifically. The large fruit is good for processing. The fruit weeps and hangs on the outside of the bush, accommodating mechanical harvesting. COPF Royalty 10¢.

Robert Chokecherry,
Prunus virginiana 'Robert'



Height: 8 - 10 Feet (3 m)
Fruit Colour: Dark purple
Fruit Size: Clusters (1 cm)
Zone: 2

This red-leaved chokecherry produces enormously long racemes of small grape-sized fruit. COPF Royalty 10¢.



Garrington Chokecherry

Cherry Plum - *Prunus*

Convoy - small bright-red fruit, yellow flesh. Good for canning and jams. Zone 2.

Manor - small fruit, dark purple-red flesh that is sweet and juicy. Excellent for preserves and fresh eating. Zone 2.

Opata - small fruit, green skin with red-purple overlay, green flesh. Juicy sweet flavour. Zone 2.

Sapa - small fruit, dark purplish flesh. Good for canning and jams. Zone 3.

Plum - *Prunus*

Brook Gold - medium plum; golden-yellow, free-stone fruit with tender skin. Good for eating fresh or cooking. Ripens early and grows vigorously. Zone 2.

Brook Red - medium, dark red plum. Good for eating out of hand or for cooking. Very vigorous grower. Zone 2.

Pembina - large plum; dark red, sweet, firm skin with yellow flesh that is delicious. The finest large plum grown on the prairies. Very hardy and productive. Zone 3.

Tecumseh - medium plum; bright red with yellow flesh. Good for eating fresh or cooking. Zone 3.

Pear - *Pyrus*

Early Gold Pear
Pyrus x 'Jefgold'



A seedling of 'Ure' pear with improved plant vigour, chlorosis resistance and cold hardiness. The fruit is similar to 'Ure' but matures 10 days earlier. COPF Royalty 50¢. Zone 3.

Ure Pear
Pyrus x 'Ure'

Produces large, greenish-yellow fruit with a good texture. Excellent for eating fresh, desserts and canning. Morden Research Station introduction. Zone 3.

CERAMIC FRUIT

Increase your fruit sales by using the ceramic fruit models developed at Jeffries Nurseries. Your customers will appreciate seeing the actual size, shape and colour of the fruit produced by these prairie hardy cultivars. Each durable, fruit model is hand painted and molded in actual size from a freshly picked fruit. The available cultivars are:

- **Apples** - Battleford, Collet, Dolgo, Fall Red, Goodland, Kerr, Norkent, Norland, Parkland, Prairie Magic, Red Sparkle and September Ruby
- **Applecrabs** - Rescue and Shafer
- **Pear** - Early Gold
- **Cherry Plums** - Manor and Oyata
- **Plum** - Pembina

**\$12
each**



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Asparagus

Jersey Giant - a male hybrid that yields 2-4 times more spears than female asparagus. Resistant to rust and tolerant of fusarium and crown rot.



Millenium - *New listing for 2004.* A male asparagus hybrid from the University of Guelph noted for rust tolerance, high yield and excellent cold hardiness.

Blueberry - Vaccinium

Self-fertile, better results with two or more varieties.

North Country - a sibling of 'Northsky' but larger and more productive than the parent. The fruit flavour is sweet and mild. Partially self-fruitful.

North Blue - a low growing plant producing fruit with a good blueberry flavour. The glossy, dark green leaves turn to a deep bright red in the fall. Completely self-fruitful. Requires winter protection.

Northland - small, dark blue fruit with a wild berry flavour. This low plant has a spreading growth habit and excellent foliage.

Northsky - good producer of sky blue fruit that has a sweet, mild flavour.

Cherry - Prunus

Carmine Jewel Cherry

Prunus x 'SK Carmine Jewel'

Height: 6 - 8 Feet (2.4 m)
Fruit Colour: Dark red
Fruit Size: 2 - 3 cm
Zone: 3

A cross between the Tart cherry and Mongolian cherry. Fruit used to make an excellent topping, hot sauce, jam, jelly, juice and pie filling. A University of Saskatchewan introduction. COPF Royalty 20¢.

Evans Cherry

Prunus x 'Evans'

Height: 10 - 12 Feet (3.6 m)
Fruit Colour: Bright red
Fruit Size: 2 - 3 cm
Zone: 3

A heavy producing cherry tree with excellent tasting fruit. Prairie hardy. The bright red fruit is large, semi-sweet and delicious. This cherry tree is self-pollinating.

Nanking Cherry

Prunus tomentosa

Height: 6 - 8 Feet (2.4 m)
Fruit Colour: Bright red
Fruit Size: 1.5 cm
Zone: 3

One of the better ornamental and fruit shrubs because of the showy, white flowers in the spring and fine flavoured fruit in July. The fruit makes wonderful jelly and can be eaten out of hand. Makes an excellent informal hedge when pruned at 5 - 6 feet.

Black Nanking Cherry

Prunus tomentosa 'Nigra'

Height: 6 - 8 Feet (2.4 m)
Fruit Colour: Dark purple
Fruit Size: 1.5 cm
Zone: 3

Similar in plant habit and fruit size to the regular Nanking cherry. Requires cross pollination by the red-fruited Nanking cherry. Excellent choice for making jelly.

Rocky Mountain Sandcherry

Prunus besseyi

Height: 5 - 6 Feet (1.8 m)
Fruit Colour: Dark purple
Fruit Size: 2 cm
Zone: 2

A native shrub with greyish-green leaves, white showy flowers and dark purple fruit suited to preserving. Attracts birds.