

**Here is a current list of varieties I have available:** (T) = triploid

Ashmead's Kernel (T) - an old russeted variety which is very sweet, firm and crisp with good acidity. It usually has a red blush on the sunny side. Not extremely productive but a decent cropper and early bearing tree. Apparently, it is also great for cider. This is a triploid which means it needs 2 other different non-triploid varieties to pollinate it. If you have any flowering crabapples in your neighbourhood this is another method to ensure pollination. It is a late apple ripening in mid.-late October. Many richer flavoured apples tend to ripen later. Hardy Zone 5/6 approx.

Belle de Boskoop (T) - another large russeted apple that originated and is big in the Netherland for eating, baking an cider. It is, like most russets very sweet but with also high acidity to balance. It is very productive and grows very vigorously with little insect problems. Ripens in October. Another triploid apple (see Ashmead's Kernel) Hardy Zone 5/6 approx.

Cornish Gilliflower - This is a new one for me and has not fruited yet but is growing well so far. It is another old English apple that is supposed to be strong scented like cloves, sweet and aromatic. I think it looks pretty as well. Ripens in October and hard Zone 5/6.

Crimson Crisp - I first tasted this apple at a local grocery store that carries it. My first impression was why is this one not more available! It has everything most people want in an apple. It is very red, crisp, juicy and sweet with a little tartness to balance. It reminds me of candy apples somehow. Productive, ripens October and stores well. Hardy Zone 5 approx.

Crimson Topaz - newer disease resistant variety from the Czech Republic. It is a vigorous grower and good annual producer. It is a crisp and clean tasting mostly red apple. Somewhat similar to Honeycrisp but may even be better. Hardy Zone 5 approx.

Easter Orange - This one is a new one for me that has not fruited yet but has been growing well. It is red with some russet. It appears to be hardy so far where I am in Zone 5/6 Canada. So, I am taking my chances to see how it does, but should be a good cropper.

Golden Delicious - No introduction needed here. It is yellow and sweet. A vigorous grower and ripens in October.

Golden Nugget - An older cross made in Canada of 2 tasty apples (Cox Orange Pippin and Golden Russet). It is smaller but deliciously sweet and should be more available. Hardy Zone 5 approx.

Golden Russett - A really nice russet that is medium sized and gold with a red cheek. Really sweet with good acidity that is not overpowering. It is reputed to make the best cider. Hardy Zone 4 approx.

Honeycrisp - everyone knows this variety. It is very popular, big, sweet and crisp. It is a good producer and apples store well. It ripens late September. Hardy to zone 3 approx.

Karmijn de Sonnaville (T) - This may be an acquired taste for some but for me it is my favourite. I say acquired because it is very tart, but at the same time very sweet, making it

intense. Great choice for people like me who really want to taste their apple. It is crisp, juicy and pretty good bearer on a vigorous tree with beautiful colours, mixed deep red, green, yellow and brown russet. Pick early October. Hardy Zone 5/6

Liberty (T) - this is a great tree for the grower as it is vigorous, EXTREMELY productive and pretty disease-resistant. It is crisp, red and similar to Macoun in taste and popular in organic orchards. Ripens October. Hardy zone 4 approx.

Macoun - An improved McIntosh Heirloom that is harder and crisper. A real favourite for those "in the know" Hardy to zone 4 approx.

Pink Princess - This looks like it will fruit for me this year. It is a local Ontario bred apple that has pink flesh and is sweet tart. Great for a novelty as it almost looks like watermelon flesh inside. Hardy to zone 5 approx

Pomme Grise - This is another russeted variety and another good one. It has a touch of vanilla in its flavour profile. Ripens in October. Hardy to Zone 4 approx

Reine des Reinettes - An old French variety also called King of the Pippins. It is a red and golden striped and flushed apple. It has a unique citrusy taste and is an early producer. Good for cider. It ripens near October. Hardy to zone 5 approx

RubINETTE - I recently got this variety and it is famed for being probably the best tasting apple to grow. It is said to have a nice crisp flesh and the perfect balance of sweet and tart. Red striping over yellow. Why is it not grown commercially? Likely because it is slightly more disease susceptible? Worth a try though. It has the flavour of its parent, Cox Orange Pippin.

Sandow - A Northern Spy offspring. It is sweeter, redder, hardier and bigger than the parent apple. It is also more disease-resistant for organic orchards. Ripens September/October. Does well in cold climates. Hardy to zone 4 approx.

SnowSweet - I can't wait to try this one. It is a newer variety from the University of Minnesota, the same breeders as Honeycrisp. Unique taste. Very hardy. Zone 3 approx.

Suntan (T) - a superb apple with crimson flush and russet patches and sweet sharp taste. It gets watercore in hot summers, which actually makes it sweeter. Another Cox Orange Pippin offspring. Ripens October. Hardy to zone 5/6

Sweet Sixteen - few orchards offer this one. Great taste. Like candy. Crisp, juicy, red. Also very cold hardy. Ripens late September. Minnesota bred for cold climates. Hardy down to zone 3 approx.

William's Pride - one of, if not the best early apples, as it ripens in August! Early apples are not known to be that flavourful, but this one definitely is. Red, crisp, juicy and disease resistant. Ripens late August here. Hardy to zone 4 approx.

Winesap (T) - an old time apple before Red Delicious became famous (Why did Red Delicious become so popular when there are so many better choices?) This is crisp, hard and juicy, sometimes used for cider, and ripens later. It also stores for a long time, into next spring! It is better for cider or cooking. Ripens late October and hardy to Zone 4 approx.

Zestar - another early variety. Very tasty for an early apple as it is crisp, juicy and stores for 2 months in the fridge! Ripens late August. A cold-hardy University of Minnesota release and hardy to zone 3/4 approx.

\*\*\* more varieties added regularly