Orange (fruit) The orange is the fruit of various citrus species in the

family Rutaceae (see list of plants known as orange); it primarily refers to *Citrus* × *sinensis*,[1] which is also called **sweet orange**, to distinguish it from the related *Citrus* × *aurantium*, referred to as bitter orange. The sweet orange reproduces asexually (apomixis through nucellar embryony); varieties of sweet orange arise through mutations.[2][3][4][5]