fruit

growing

Pineapples **grow** in tropical climates. We have been **growing** redcurrants for many years.

Blackberries **ripen** in the autumn. We haven't **had** any pears yet this year. This tree **produces** very sweet plums. She **picked** a ripe apricot and started to eat it.

Growers are expecting a bumper apple harvest this year.

a bumper apple **crop/crop of** apples... He's a peach **grower**.



- apple, cherry, lemon, lime, mango, mulberry, olive, orange, peach, pear, plum trees
- blackcurrant, bramble, gooseberry bushes
- banana, strawberry plants
- grape vines
- raspberry canes

flowers

- apple, cherry, lemon, orange blossom
- banana, lemon, melon flowers

plantations

- apple, cherry **orchards**
- citrus, lemon, olive, orange groves
- banana plantations



a bumper crop of apples

skin

- citrus, grapefruit, lemon, orange peel
- banana skin

Look at the entries for individual fruits for collocates specific to each.

preparing

You can **wash**, **peel**, **cut**, **slice**, **chop** and **halve** any fruit:

Halve the cherries and slice the pineapple

Some fruit can be eaten cooked:

- **stewed** apples/pears/plums
- baked apples

preserving

seeds

- apple, orange pips
- cherry, peach, plum stones
- melon **seeds**
- apple cores

- tinned apricots, grapefruit, peaches, pears, pineappledried apricots, dates, figs

Dried fruit usually refers to different types of dried grapes which are called currants, sultanas or raisins.