

Winesap



Unknown in origin, this apple was probably brought in seed form from Europe over 200 years ago. Deep red in color, it was noted as a great cider apple in writings as far back as 1817. Good for pie, sauce and eating out of hand. Flesh is a fruity, crisp yellow; sometimes featuring red streaks on the inside. The blossoms on Winesap trees are mostly pink instead of white. One of the parents of 'Arkansas Black'.

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Spitzenburg



This "apple of connoisseurs" was discovered in upstate New York in the early 1700's. Rumored to be the favorite of Thomas Jefferson, and definitely grown in his orchards at Monticello. Produced in the Hood River Valley, OR in the early 1900's. Rich, fruity aromatic flavor and crisp meat. A great dessert apple, it is often a favorite at Christmas time.

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Arkansas Black



This unique apple dates to 1870's Arkansas. It is a lively red color, deepening to a purplish black when ripe. Known for a hard, slick exterior, apple expert Tom Burford remembers being warned as a boy not to hit anyone in the head with it, as it could kill! It is juicy, with a distinctive aromatic flavor.

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Calville Blanc



This world renowned dessert apple dates from 16th century France. Its flattened round shape makes it distinctive looking, so much that Monet put it in his 1879 painting "Apples and Grapes". It has a tart, effervescent flavor, and is good for eating. Claims to be the "best apple pie apple grown". Higher in Vitamin C than an orange.

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Ashmead's Kernel



One of the very best of the old European apples from the late 1600's to early 1700's, this small to medium sized apple has an outstanding rich, high flavor. It is rated for the connoisseur, and has not been offered commercially. Sharp flavor, with a wonderful aftertaste. It has green, russeted skin and crisp, juicy flesh.

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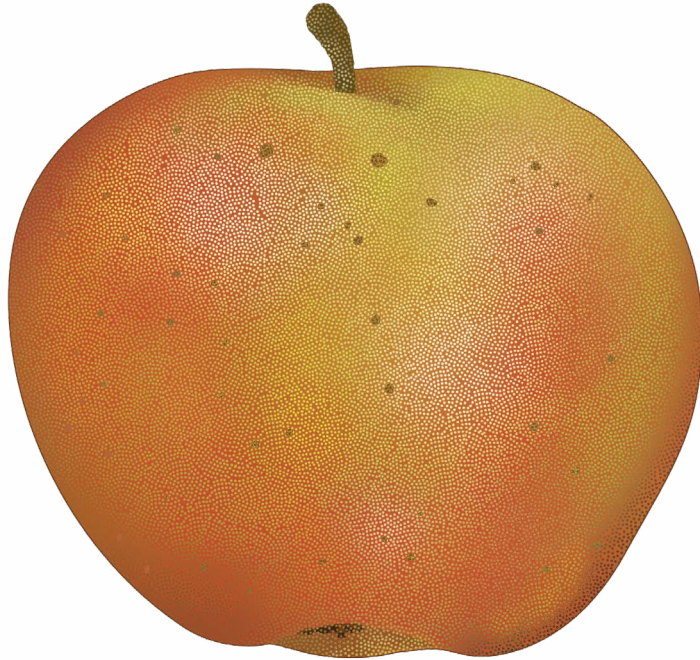
Cortland



The Cortland apple was developed in 1898 by Professor S.A. Beach of New York. It is another high quality red apple, which often will have dark red streaks on the outside. Inside you will find a crisp, white flesh and a somewhat tart, sweet flavor. Very juicy. A good salad apple because it does not brown for hours after slicing.

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Cox's Orange Pippin



This apple still dominates the English markets. Got its name from creator Richard Cox, a retired brewery worker in the early 1800's. The skin takes on an orange tinge at ripening. Has a juicy, nutty taste and firm flesh. This variety is good for all around use, both in cooking, juicing and eating fresh.

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Golden Russet



An old American cider apple, believed to have sprouted from a seed of English Russet. Skin turns a golden bronze when ripe. Also good for eating and drying. Crisp yellow, sugary flesh of very good quality.

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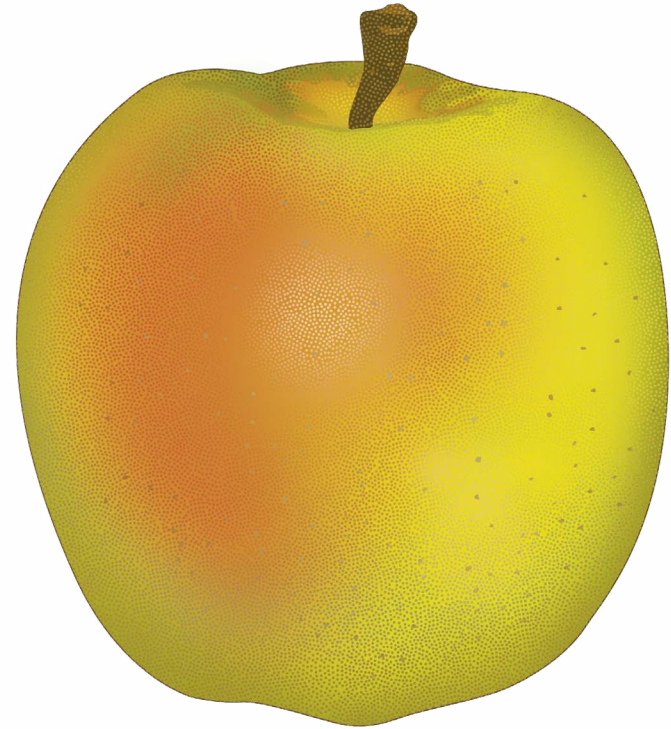
Grimes Golden



If you are a Golden Delicious fan, try the parent, Grimes Golden. A clear, deep yellow skin covers a fine grained, spicy flesh. Very juicy and excellent for cider. Discovered in Brook County, Virginia in 1804 by Thomas Grimes.

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Mutsu



A late maturing offspring of Golden Delicious from Japan's breeding program (crossed with an Indo tree seedling brought to Japan by an Indiana school teacher). Renamed 'Crispin' in the UK and U.S.A. A very large, firm greenish/yellow apple with a sweet cocktail of flavors. Juicy and refreshing, with outstanding dessert qualities. Also known in Japan as the 'Million Dollar Apple'.

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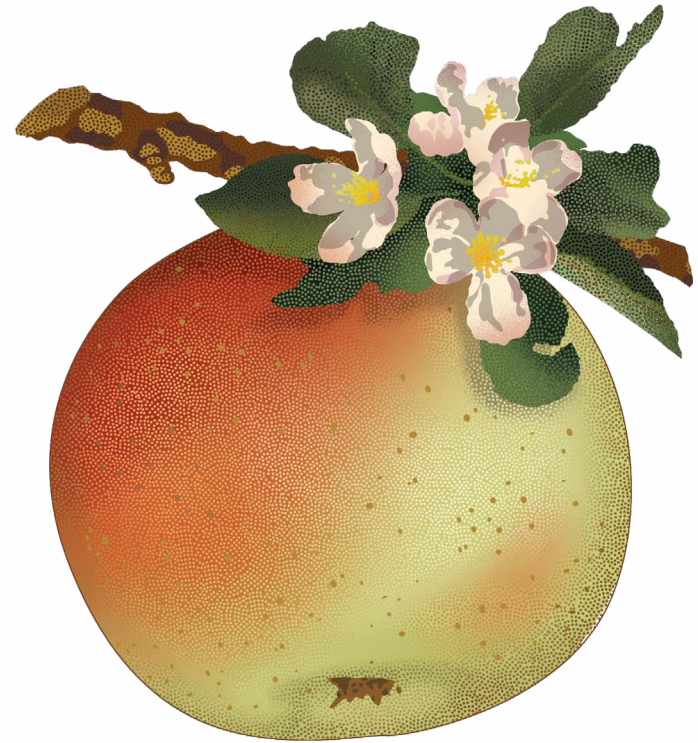
King David



Discovered by farmer Ben Frost on a fence row tree in Arkansas in 1839. Believed to be a cross of Jonathan/Arkansas Black. Cream colored flesh is coarse, crisp and has a spicy, almost wine-like flavor. Suitable for dessert, pie, sauce making and cider.

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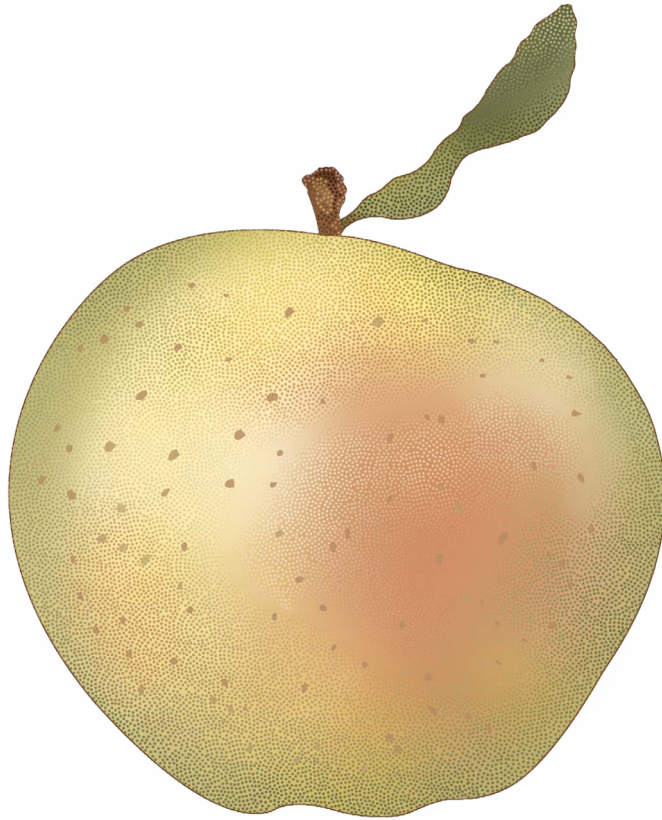
Orleans Reinette



A very old apple, probably originating in France where it was described in 1776. Smaller size; round and greenish-yellow colored skin with creamy white flesh. Juicy, with a taste of sweet orange followed by a nutty flavor.

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Pink Pearl



Cut or bite into this apple and you are in for a surprise. In fact, it is an offspring of another variety called 'Surprise! Pink fleshed, pearly skinned, good tasting with sweet to tart flavor. Makes pink applesauce and pretty fruit tarts.

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Roxbury Russet



In the early 17th century, Roxbury Massachusetts developed and named the first American apple! An excellent old cider apple, and good for eating. Roxbury Russet is medium sized, elliptical in shape, with a crisp tart flavor. Its russeted skin can exhibit in two or three shades.

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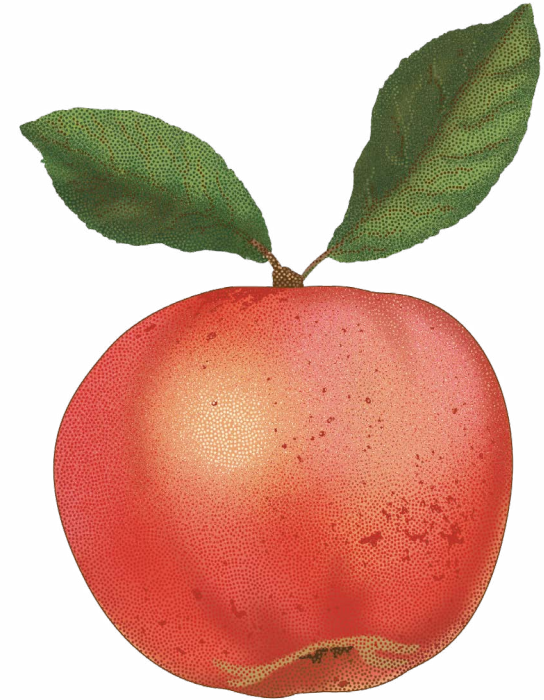
Gravenstein



The Gravenstein is considered to be one of the best all-around apples for baking, cooking and eating. It has a sweet, tart flavor and juicy, crisp texture. The Gravenstein is native to Denmark, discovered in 1699. It traveled to America with Russian fur traders, who planted Gravenstein orchards at Fort Ross in the early 1800's.

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Northern Spy



An American apple native to the Northern East Coast discovered around 1800 in East Bloomfield, N.Y. Its name comes from the codename of an Underground Railroad operator, who guided former slaves through New England into Canada. Flavor is especially tart, and flesh is harder and crunchier than most. A consummate pie apple, and an old favorite for eating out of hand. Trees are very slow bearing and can take up to twelve years to produce an alternate bearing crop.

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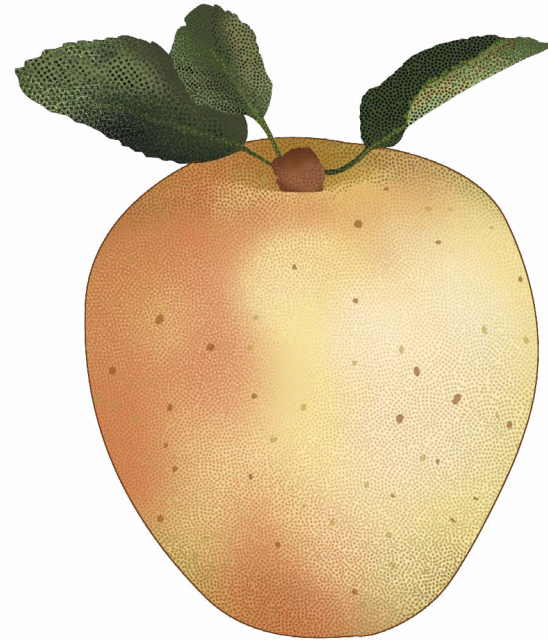
Ribston Pippin



This apple was grown in 1708 from one of three 'pips' (seeds) sent from Normandy to Sir Henry Goodricke of Ribston Hall, Yorkshire, England. It has one of the highest Vitamin C contents, 30mg/100mg. Its yellow flesh is firm and sweet, with a pear taste. Ribston is also the parent of Cox's Orange Pippin.

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White Winter Pearmain



There is some confusion as to the origin of this apple; some say it originated in Indiana around 1849, others that it came from 1200AD England. Medium to large in size, the White Winter Pearmain has a pale yellow skin with streaks of reddish blush. The skin is waxy and tough. Yellowish flesh is crisp, juicy and tender with a hint of sweetness. One of the premier dessert apples.

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