

OHIO'S FAVORITE APPLES AND THEIR USES

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VARIETY/AVAILABILITY	FLAVOR & TEXTURE	EATING	SALADS	SAUCE	PIES	BAKING	FREEZING	NATURAL CHARACTERISTICS
GINGER GOLD Aug.- Sept.	TART-CRISP	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	FAIR	FAIR	NOT RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	Greenish-yellow apple with smooth finish.
GALA Sept.- June	SWEET-FIRM	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	NOT RECOMMENDED	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	SLICES	Similar to Golden Delicious in flavor with 50% and more red color with yellow background color.
McINTOSH Sept.- March	SPICY-TENDER	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	GOOD	GOOD	GOOD	SAUCE	40% red color, white flesh, flat shaped apple.
HONEYCRISP Sept.- Oct.	CRISP-SWEET	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	FAIR	EXCELLENT	NOT RECOMMENDED	SLICES	Light red color over yellow background color.
CORTLAND Sept.- Nov.	SPICY-TENDER	GOOD	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	NOT RECOMMENDED	Red, flat shaped apple with white flesh, which remains white when sliced.
JONATHON Sept.- June	TART-SPICY	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	GOOD	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	SLICES	80% and more red color on light green background, may have slight russeting around the stem
JONAGOLD Oct.- Jan.	SWEET-TANGY	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	GOOD	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	NOT RECOMMENDED	Light red color over yellow background color.
EMPIRE Oct.- June	CRISP-SWEET/TART	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	GOOD	GOOD	GOOD	SAUCE	Similar to McIntosh but firmer with more red color on green background
RED DELICIOUS Sept.- June	SWEET-RICH	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	NOT RECOMMENDED	FAIR	GOOD	NOT RECOMMENDED	90% and more red color with a slightly elongated appearance. A very sweet Ohio apple.
GOLDEN DELICIOUS Sept.- June	RICH-SEMI-FIRM	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	GOOD	GOOD	EXCELLENT	SLICES & SAUCE	Pale green to light yellow apple with slight russeting or freckles.
MELROSE Oct.- April	CRISP-MILD	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	GOOD	SLICES & SAUCE	50% red color on rough skinned green to yellow background color.
SUNCRISP Oct.- Jan.	CRISP-SWEET	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	NOT RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	Light red color over yellow background color.
IDARED Oct.- May	MILDLY TART-FIRM	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	GOOD	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	Red colored apple.
LAW ROME Oct.- June	MILD-FIRM	GOOD	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	SLICES	90% and more red color-slight speckling on skin. May show slight pink flesh. Excellent storage apple
WINESAP Oct.- July	SPICY-FIRM	GOOD	EXCELLENT	GOOD	GOOD	EXCELLENT	SLICES & SAUCE	70% red color on rough skin surface. An excellent storage apple.
FUJI Nov.- June	SWEET-HARD	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	NOT RECOMMENDED	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	SLICES	Light green to burnt orange appearance. Juicy apple which stores well.
GOLDRUSH Nov.- May	TART-FIRM	EXCELLENT	GOOD	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	SLICES & SAUCE	Yellow apple with rough finish.
GRANNY SMITH Oct.- June	TART-HARD	FAIR	EXCELLENT	FAIR	EXCELLENT	EXCELLENT	SLICES	Pale green tart sweet apple with a red blushed cheek.

- Handling and Storage Tips:**
- Handle apples gently to prevent bruising.
 - Store apples in a ventilated plastic bag sprinkled with water to prevent absorbing other food flavors or dehydrating.
 - Coat apple slices and dices in a mixture of 1 part lemon juice to 3 parts water to prevent browning.
 - Store apples in the refrigerator. They'll last up to 10 times longer than if left at room temperature.