

When choosing a site for your fruit trees, remember to consider a spot with full sun and well drained soils. A slope on or near a body of water is desirable since temperatures do not generally change rapidly. Protect blossoms from early frosts to ensure pollination. Fertilize your fruit trees in March and again in August with Al's Slow Release Fertilizer. Follow our Fruit Tree Spraying Made Easy guide and spray dormant sprays in fall, winter and repeat in spring to control disease problems and insects. Place mason bees and their houses in your orchard or near your trees before your fruit trees bloom to increase fruit production.

Apricots

Variety	Tree Size	Fruit Size	Pollenizer	Ripens	Fruit Color	Flavor	Applications
Puget Gold	Dwarf	Large & Elongated	Self-fertile	Early August	Yellow-gold	Very good flavor. Freestone	Good for drying, desserts, preserves & canning.
Tilton (Stark)	Dwarf	Medium & slightly flattened	Self-fertile	Mid-July	Heart shaped, golden yellow with a dark red blush	One of the most flavorful apricots. Sweet and tart.	Excellent fresh, and great for freezing, drying & canning.

Peaches

Variety	Tree Size	Fruit Size	Pollenizer	Ripens	Fruit Color	Flavor	Applications
Early Elberta	Semi-dwarf	Very large, oblong fruit	Self-fruitful. Excellent pollenizer	August	Red blushed over deep golden yellow color	Juicy & sweet. Rich classic flavor. Freestone	High quality eating. Excellent for canning, freezing & jam.
Frost	Semi-dwarf	Medium to large	Self-fruitful	Mid August	Fuzzy, light red blush over greenish yellow	Delicious with a sweet-tangy flavor. Semi-freestone.	Excellent for eating fresh & drying. Good for canning.
Pix Zee	Dwarf	Large	Self-fruitful	August	Beautiful red over orange skin	Delicious and wonderful flavor. Freestone	Great for containers or small areas.
Red Haven	Semi-dwarf	Huge	Self-fruitful	Early August	Red over a yellow background	Very sweet, juicy and rich tasting. Freestone.	Standard to compare all others. Great fresh, canning & frozen.
Suncrest	Semi-dwarf	Firm, large & round	Self-fruitful	Mid to late August	Deep red color	Excellent. Freestone.	Great cooking, canning, freezing.
Veteran	Semi-dwarf	Medium to large	Self-fruitful	Late August	Yellow with slight red blush	Great fresh flavor. Semi-freestone.	Great eating quality. Rich flavor for canning and freezing.

Nectarines

Variety	Tree Size	Fruit Size	Pollenizer	Ripens	Fruit Color	Flavor	Applications
Fantasia	Semi-dwarf	Large & egg-shaped	Self-fruitful	August	Yellow to red	Sweet with rich flavor. Freestone	Excellent eating fruit for those wanting a peach without the fuzz
Flavortop	Semi-dwarf	Medium-Large & egg-shaped	Self-fruitful	Late July to early August	Cherry red skin over bright yellow background.	Superb acid-sugar balance with a rich, complex flavor	Use as fresh eating or for cooking.
Sunglo	Semi-dwarf	Large	Self-fruitful	Early August	Red over golden yellow.	Firm, meaty & juicy. Sweet flavor. Semi-freestone	Great for canning & freezing.

Pluots

Variety	Tree Size	Fruit Size	Pollenizer	Ripens	Fruit Color	Flavor	Applications
Flavor Grenade	Dwarf	Plum size	Flavor King	August	Green with red blush	Explosive, sweet flavor	Taste test winner. Great fresh eating and cooking.
Flavor King	Dwarf	Plum size	Flavor Supreme	July	Reddish-purple skin with sweet red flesh.	Intense plum-like flavor with spicy bouquet.	Taste test winner. Great fresh eating and cooking
Flavor Supreme	Dwarf	Plum size	Flavor King	Mid-June to early July	Greenish-maroon mottled skin. Firm red flesh.	Sweet, richly flavored. Extremely juicy. No tartness.	Taste test winner. Great fresh eating and cooking