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SECTION Varieties Ewhich WU Recommend for

### COMMERCIAL PLANTING

TAFT. This extremely attractive fruit at present holds first place among standard commercial varieties. It is one of the large size green fruits, weight 16 to 24 ozs. Skin slightly rough, thick and strong. Flesh smooth, entirely free from fiber, the rich, oily flavor appeals to the most experienced. Seed medium small, tight in the cavity. The most hardy local tree of this type. The productive quality is best shown by the enormous crop hanging on the parent tree which will mature from May 100 October Prices: 3 to 5 ft. . \$4.50 each; ten. \$4.25 each

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MESERVE. A very desirable shipping fruit on account of its round shape and medium weight, 14 to 16 ozs. Beautiful as an ornamental, the brilliant bronze foliage always attracts attention. Fruit dark green in color, surface somewhat roughened. Smooth cream colored flesh without fiber. One of the very rich and nutty flavored fruits of local origin. Seed tight and medium size. Productive. Season April to June.

Prices: 3 to 5 ft...\$4.00 each; ten..\$3.75 each 2 to 3 ft...\$3.50 each; ten..\$3.25 each

SOLANO. The most attractive fruit on the Los Angeles market. This variety is light flavored, not containing as much oil as others of California origin. There are, however, all the other valuable characteristics in its favor, such as the early season, February to June, beautiful appearance and proportionately the largest amount of flesh with small seed tight in the cavity. Form obovate to oval, six inches in length and weighing 20 to 26 ozs. A smooth, glossy, bright green skin, thick and firm. Clear yellow flesh of excellent texture. Prolific.

Prices: 3 to 5 ft...\$5.00 each; ten..\$4.75 each 2 to 3 ft...\$4.00 each; ten..\$3.75 each

CHALLENGE. A large, nearly round variety, desirable for its early fruiting period. The parent tree produced last season 2,000 one-pound fruit. Cream colored, smooth flesh, free from fiber. Skin thick and granular, of dark purple color. Season February to May.

Prices: 3 to 4 ft. (only size), \$4.50 each; ten, \$4.25 each

COLORADO. A variety of high quality and pleasing rich, nutty flavor. Exceedingly hard to propagate and therefore very scarce. Form oval to obovate, weight 14 to 18 ozs. Skin thick and tough, very dark purple in color. Productive. Season April and May.

Prices: 3 to 4½ ft. (only size), \$5.00 each; ten, \$4.75 each

NOTE: All the above varieties have been produced in considerable quantity, are of local origin and the fruit has been successfully marketed at prices from 50 cents to \$1.00 each.

FUERTE. Vigorous, handsome and hardy. One of the most promising introductions, and has been extensively planted. The young trees show signs of very early bearing. Form oval, weight 14 ozs. Skin thick and green color. Seed small. Flesh buttery of rich flavor. Season in Mexico, October and November.

Prices: 3 to 5 ft...\$4.00 each; ten..\$3.50 each 2 to 3 ft...\$3.00 each; ten..\$2.75 each

PUEBLA. An imported variety fruiting in California. Strong, vigorous grower, very hardy. Skin thick, attractive, with nearly smooth surface. Young trees seem to be precocious and productive. Small seed, tight in the cavity. Good quality. Season late fall in Mexico.

Prices: 2 to 3 ft. (only size), \$3.50 each; ten, \$3.25 each

CHAPPELOW. Shows the highest oil content of any fruit offered up to the present time. A hardy, quick-growing tree for the home place. Excellent flavor. Weight, 5 to 8 ozs. Purple black color. Season August to November.

Prices: 3 to 4½ ft., \$3.00 each 2 to 3 ft., \$2.50 each; ten, \$2.25 each

QUERETARO. This variety was imported to fill the late fall and winter market. Strong, sturdy growth and attractive, light colored foliage. Fruit is oval in shape, black color with tough skin. Season expected to be October to December.

Prices: 3 to 5 ft...\$3.50 each; ten..\$3.00 each 2 to 3 ft...\$2.75 each; ten..\$2.50 each

CARTON. Pyriform, weight 6 to 8 ozs. Glossy, purple black fruit originating in the San Fernando valley. Buttery, clear flesh, free from fiber, rich in flavor. Tree has stood very cold weather. Season, October and November.

Prices: 2 to 3 ft. (only size), \$3.00 each

SAN SEBASTIAN. A large imported thin skin fruit. Weight, 12 to 16 ozs. Color black, skin smooth. A fast upright grower. Said to be a winter fruit in Mexico staying on as late as March.

Prices: 2 to 3 ft. (only size), \$3.00 each.

It will be noticed that our stock has been divided into two sizes, 3 to 5 feet, which represents extra large, well branched trees from one year's growth (trees of this class are very scarce), and 2 to 3 feet, which are first-class trees from later budding.

#### SCARCE THICK SKINNED VARIETIES OF MERIT.

Variety Form Weight	Color	Season	Remarks
Atlixco Oblong14 to 16 oz	s. Green	DecJan., in I	Mexico
Blakeman. Oval 16 to 18 oz	s. Glossy green	May-July	One tree to an order
DickinsonOval 8 to 10 oz	s. Dark red	April-May	Best medium fruit
Grande Pyriform 20 to 24 oz	Dark green.	DecJan., in 1	Mexico. Large
PerfectoOblong22 to 28 oz	s. Dark green.	JanFeb., in 1	Mexico. Very large
Sharpless Pyriform 16 to 24 oz	s. Greenish pur	ple.May-Aug	
Walker Pyriform 6 to 8 oz	s. Deep green.	May-Aug	Well known but scarce
Prices			
3 to 5 ft. Atlixco\$4.00 each Blakeman Dickinson4.50 each	5.00 each	Grande 4.5 Perfecto Sharpless	4.00 each





#### THIN SKINNED VARIETIES

VAL DE FLOR. A fruit of distinctive appearance and unusually leathery skin separating readily from the flesh, an extremely desirable characteristic. Budded trees have set a large quantity of small fruits from early bloom, showing the variety to be precocious and prolific. Weight, about one-half pound. Seed tight in the cavity and very small, placed low in the fruit, leaving a large, solid portion of beautiful, rich, yellow flesh in the upper end. Flavor and quality the best. One crop matures in the spring and the main crop in the late fall. Has been proven very hardy.

Price: 2 to 3 ft. (only size), \$3.00 each; ten, \$2.75 each

HARMAN. This well known home-use fruit weighs from 5 to 10 ozs. Shape, oval; color, greenish purple. Flesh buttery and of pleasant flavor. Strong, uniform and upright growth. Season October to December.

Prices: 3 to 5 ft...\$2.75 each; ten..\$2.50 each 2 to 3 ft...\$2.25 each; ten..\$2.00 each

NORTHROP. Hardy, vigorous and precocious. Very rich, delightful, nutty flavor. Color, purple to black. Weight, 6 to 8 ozs. Matures a small amount of fruit in May and June and the principal crop from October to December. A first-class fruit for the home garden in cold localities.

Prices: 3 to 5 ft...\$2.75 each; ten..\$2.50 each 2 to 3 ft...\$2.25 each; ten..\$2.00 each Our stock is all field grown. Avoid pot or boxbound trees.

WRITE FOR QUOTATIONS ON ORDERS FOR 100 OR MORE TREES, STATING TOTAL NUMBER AND VARIETIES DESIRED.

The above descriptions are based on personal observation and partly (as to those trees not yet of producing age in California) from data carefully gathered and compiled. We believe the information herein is accurate.

The utmost care is used in the raising, labeling and shipping of our trees, but we make no warranty except that if trees sold are not true to name, we will, upon proof of such fact, either return the original purchase price or replace the trees at our option. All orders for trees are accepted by us on condition that if on account of circumstances beyond our control we are unable to furnish the trees ordered, we shall be liable only for the return of the money paid by the purchaser.

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