

Pink Lady Apple



Never a cheap apple; today the Pink Lady® is the third or fourth most popular variety of apple sold worldwide. This is purely due to its fine quality. Since it has been released to the home garden market, it is continually grown as one of the most popular varieties sought out for planting in the backyard.

Malus pumila 'Pink Lady'

- **Use:** Pink Lady® Apple is a cross between a Golden Delicious and a Lady Williams, and sports a pink blush over a base of pale greenish yellow. Fruit is creamy yellow, dense and juicy with a subtle aroma of pear, melon and cider. Long shelf life for these crisp fruits. Semi-dwarf and self-pollinating. Produces 3rd year fruit which are perfect fresh or used in cooking.
- **Please be sure to read the Home Garden Apples article from UGA on our Plant Information Page on the website. There is too much information to print here. You need a pollinator tree.**
- **Exposure/Soil:** Sunlight, and plenty of it, is a key to increasing fruit production. Pick an area where the trees will be in the sun most or all of the day. The early morning sun is particularly important because it dries the dew from the leaves thereby reducing the incidence of diseases. If the planting site does not get plenty of sun, then you can't expect the best performance from the tree. Well-drained, rich soil. pH of 5.5 to 6.5 necessary.
- **Growth:** Moderate growing; reaches 18 to 25 ft. tall, 18 to 25 ft. wide.
- **Hardiness: Zone** 6-10; Tree.
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Green leaves.
- **Flower/ Fruit:** These medium/large apples are firm and aromatic, with what some say is a fragrance of pear or cider. When you approach the tree you'll be astonished by their beauty, but that's nothing compared to what you'll experience when you actually reach out and pick one.
- Biting into the yellow-tinted, white flesh will create a flavor explosion. Crisp and juicy, Pink Lady's flavor is that of an apple, but with a distinctive taste of melon and just a hint of citrus. A subtle dash of tartness gives it just enough zing to tantalize your taste buds and make you yearn for the next bite.
- One of the best features of your Pink Lady Apple tree is that although delicious right off the tree, it actually improves in flavor after about four weeks in storage (and its storage life is very long).
- Its adorable pink-accented, white flowers in spring are fragrant, long-lasting, and certain to draw pollinators to your yard. The fruit ripens in October/November, extending your joy of harvest time when other fruits have completed their season.

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