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## AN APPLE A DAY...



We wouldn't be from the Pacific
Northwest if we didn't take our apples
seriously. We mean really seriously.
Which is why we created this apple
specific catalog. Please use this
material to help plan, educate, and bask
in all things **APPLES!** 

Apples from the PNW are prized. Why? The PNW has some of the best conditions for growing apples in the world, with Washington State being the nation's leading apple-grower for the past decade.



# GROWING PRACTICES AND NEW VARIETY DEVELOPMENT



## Apples are grown in a variety of ways

- Conventionally (with herbicides and pesticides)
- Organically (no-spray or FDA allowed sprays)
- Biodynamically (Organically grown with an even more nature-centric lean)

#### New apple generation

- A "sport"- a surprise apple in an orchard, a naturally occurring mutation
- Cross pollination- an all-natural process
- GMO- Currently the only GMO apples in production are the "Arctic" varieties named for the non-oxidizing flesh (stays white)

# Storage

# OXIDIZING



#### 1. A little acid...

As soon as you cut into an apple, the flesh starts to slowly turn brown from the oxygen in the air. A little acid such as lemon juice or vinegar will help to slow that process, but there's no stopping it. Keep them whole until just before you eat or use them in a recipe for the best shelf life.



#### 2. Refrigerate

Keep apples cool. The ideal storage temperature is 30 to 35 degrees F. with 90 to 95 percent relative humidity. If you don't have a lot of apples, the refrigerator is a good option. Place them in the crisper drawer in a plastic bag with holes in it or cover the apples with a damp paper towel.

Keeping apples cool helps to slow the emission of ethylene.



#### 3. Separate

Keep apples separate from other produce so the ethylene gas doesn't ripen other fruits and vegetables.

Fuii **Granny Smith Red Delicious** Gala Sugarbee Cosmic Crisp Honeycrisp Rockit **Red Flesh Varieties** Pink Lady **OG Honeucrisp OG Fuii OG Granny Smith NG Red Delicious** NG Gala **OG Sugarbee** 

**OG Cosmic Crisp** 

**OG Rockit** 

Brown Brown Brown Brown Light Light Brown Light Medium Medium Brown Brown Brown **Super Brown! Super Brown!** Light Light Light

# Controlled Atmosphere



# How do we have apples in March?

In CA storage rooms, the perfect combination of temperature, oxygen, carbon dioxide, and humidity levels are adjusted for each variety to keep them preserved at peak freshness.



Every late summer there is a cross over in inventory with a few apples that do great in CA. Because of CA, you can buy an apple in March and it still tastes fresh

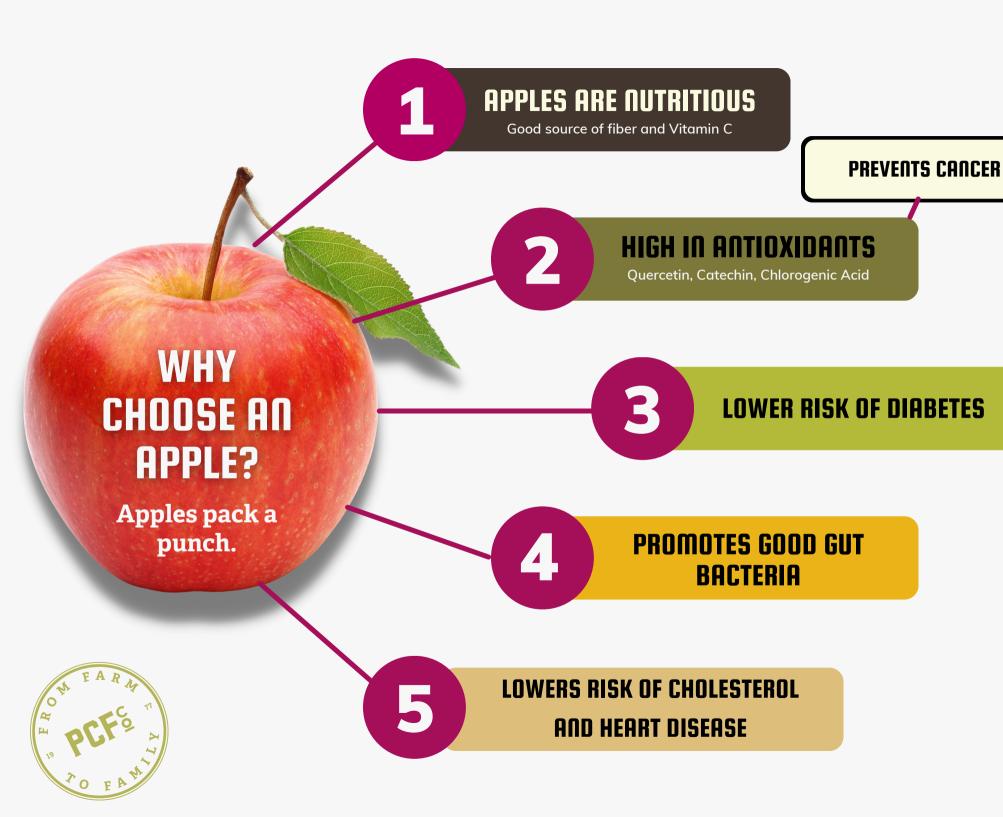


Not all apples ripen the same way. Some are more complicated to care for than others. For example, Honeycrisp are more sensitive to cold right after harvest.



Cosmic Crisp apples have been bred to last 12 months in CA Storage!





#### **Power Greens Apple Crunch Salad**

#### Ingredients:

1 clamshell organic power greens 1 Cosmic Crisp apple, thinly sliced ½ cup red seedless peppers, finely diced ¼ cup feta cheese crumbles ¼ cup walnuts, roasted and chopped

Blackberry Vinaigrette:
½ cup blackberries
3 tablespoon balsamic vinegar
¼ cup extra virgin olive oil
1 tablespoon salt
1 teaspoon black pepper

#### **Preparation:**

- 1) Place blackberries, balsamic vinegar, olive oil, salt, and pepper in a blender. Blend on medium until blackberries are completely blended. Set aside.
  - 2) In a large bowl, combine greens, apple, peppers, and dressing. Toss until thoroughly coated.
  - 3) Divide between two salad bowls. Top with feta and walnuts.





Serves 2



**15** minutes







#### Red, White, & Blue Apple Crisp

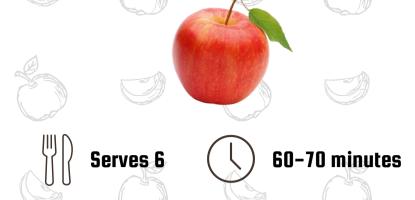
#### **Ingredients:**

4 Honeycrisp apples peeled and course chopped
6 oz blueberries
6 oz raspberries
1/3 cup white sugar
1 tablespoon cold butter, small diced
1/4 cup melted butter
1/3 cup brown sugar
2/3 cup all-purpose flour, sifted
2/3 cup quick oats
1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
1/2 teaspoon baking soda

#### **Preparation:**

1) Heat oven to 325 F.

- 2) Butter an 11 by 7-inch baking dish.
- 3) In a large bowl, combine the apples, raspberries, blueberries, and granulated sugar. Toss to coat. Transfer the apple and berry mixture to the prepared baking dish. Dot with small pieces of cold butter.
- 4) In a medium bowl combine the melted butter with the brown sugar, flour, salt, baking soda, and rolled oats. Sprinkle the crumb mixture evenly over fruit.
- 5) Bake for 45 to 55 minutes, or until fruit is tender and topping is browned.
- 6) Serve warm with a scoop of vanilla ice cream or a scoop of whipped cream.





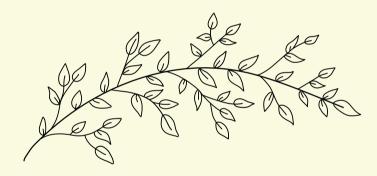




#### **Quick Pickled Granny Smith Apple**

#### Ingredients:

2 Large Granny Apples: Peeled, Cored, and Thinly Sliced
1 Cup Champagne Vinegar
1 Cup Water
1 TBL Agave Syrup
1 TBL Kosher Salt
1 TBL Pickling Spice



#### Preparation:

- 1) Divide Sliced Apples between two 16oz Mason Jars.
- 2) Bring Vinegar, Water, Agave, and Seasoning to boil in a small sauce pan.
- 3) Divide Liquid between the two jars and pour over Apples being sure to completely cover.
  - 4) Immediately seal jars and let rest for one hour before placing under refrigeration.





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#### **Butter Poached Gala Apples**

#### **Ingredients:**

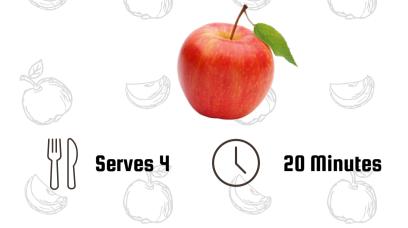
4 Large Gala Apples: Peeled, Cored, and Medium Diced
2 Sticks of Salted Butter
1 Cup Water
2 Bay Leaves
2 Sprigs Thyme
1 Sprig Rosemary
2 TBL Salt



#### **Preparation:**

1) In a small pot, add Water, Butter, Bay Leaves, Thyme, Rosemary, and Salt. Heat on Medium High until Butter is completely melted.

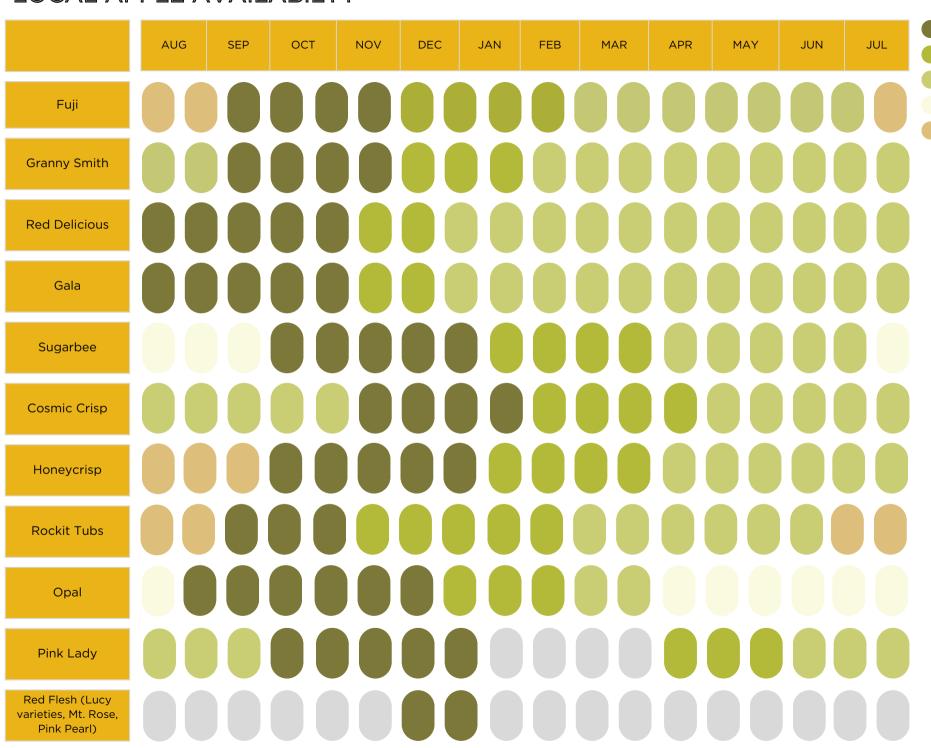
2) Turn down hit to Medium Low and add Apples.
3) Continue to Cook until Apples are just barely fork tender. You are looking for an "al dente" finish, meaning the fruit should still have some "snap" to it.
4) Serve immediately.







#### LOCAL APPLE AVAILABILTY



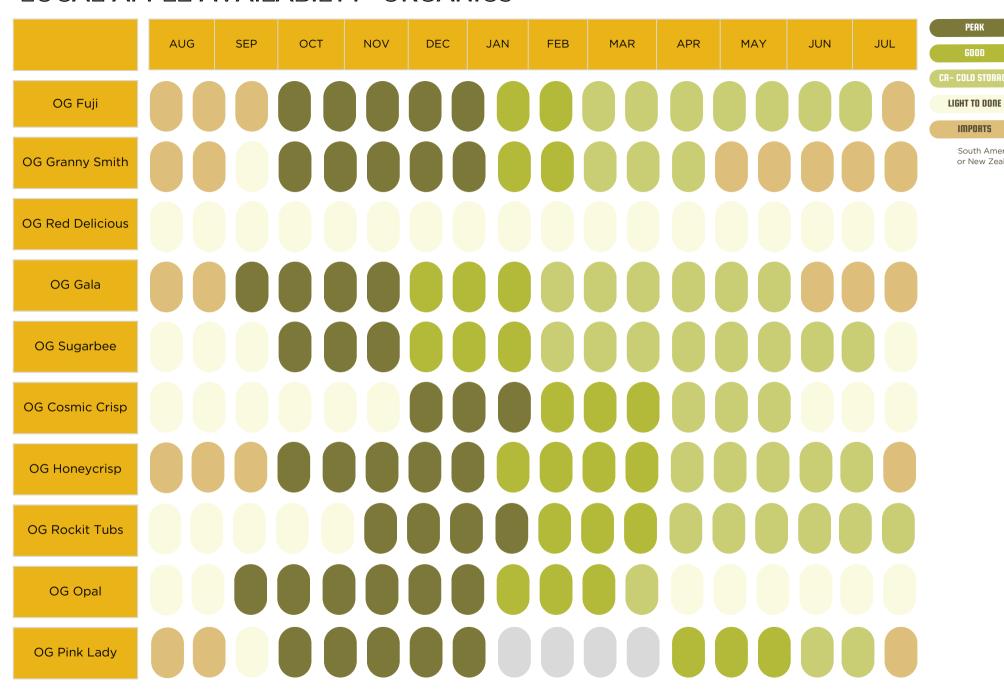
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## Fuji

Semi-thick skined apple with dense, crisp, fine-grained flesh that has a mild, sweet-tart flavor with notes of honey and citrus.

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## **Granny Smith**

Bright green apple with white flesh that has a tart-sweet flavor. They're best used in pies, tarts, cakes, and cobblers.

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#### **Red Delicious**

Thick bold red apple with fine-grained flesh that is creamy white, crisp and juicy and offers a mildly sweet taste with flavors of melon.

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#### Gala

Yellow to orange skinned apple with dense flesh that has a mildly sweet flavor and flora aroma.

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## Sugarbee

Cross pollinated from a Honeycrisp and a mystery apple variety. They are sweet, crisp, and have a unique honey-like flavor.

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## **Cosmic Crisp**

A cross between the "Enterprise" and "Honeycrisp". This large, juicy apple has a firm and crisp texture and is the perfect balance of sweet and tart.

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## Honeycrisp

The Honeycrisp Apple has a yellow background covered with a red to pink blush and speckled with small spots. The creamy white flesh is exceptionally crisp and aromatic. A balanced content of sugar and acid gives Honeycrisp apples a pleasant sweet-tart flavor that varies in strength depending upon the maturity of the apple.

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#### **Rockit Tubs**

The world's first snack size apple in to-go containers. Because Rockit ™ apples are packed straight into tubs, they're cleaner, safer, and stay fresher for longer.

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## Opal

Opal® apples are distinctively crunchy with a sweet, tangy flavor. But one of the most incredible and natural features of this apple is that it does not brown after cutting.

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## Pink Lady

This apple has an overall reddish pink color with green peaking undertones. The Pink Lady is a hybrid between the Golden Delicious and Lady Williams apple. The Pink Lady apple offers a sweet as well as tart flavor and has a firm and juicy flesh.

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#### **Red Flesh Varieties**

Lucy Rose, Lucy Glo, Mt. Rose, Pink Pearl- all naturally red on the inside.

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