

FIESTA

Fiesta is a cross between Cox's Orange Pippin and Idared, raised in Kent, England in 1972. It has an aromatic flavor similar to Cox Orange Pippin, with just enough acid to make a pleasant dessert apple.

The flesh is white, and very crisp and juicy. It is a medium-sized apple with a firm skin, colored yellow with an orangey blush, spashed and striped with red. Fiesta inherited the good keeping qualities of Idared, and will store until January without much loss of flavor, although the flesh loses its crispness after several months. Fiesta sets regular crops, which hang long on the tree.



Uses

- Flavor quality - **good**
- Flavor style – **aromatic, subacid**
- Good for eating **fresh**
- Picking season – **late Sept/early Oct**
- Use / keeping – **2-3 months**

Growing

- Cropping - **good**
- Fertility – **partially self-fertile**
- Flowering group - **3**
- Precocity -
- Disease resistance – **resistance to scab/mildew**
- Vigor – **moderate (T2)**

How to grow Fiesta apple trees

Fiesta crops set good crops of medium-sized apples. If you want larger apples, thin heavily after bloom. Fiesta flowers mid-season, so it is a good pollinator for other apples. It is resistant to mildew and scab, so is generally an easy variety to grow.

Pollination for Fiesta

Fiesta is in flowering group 3. It is **partially self-fertile**, but benefits from a pollination partner nearby.

Historical details

Fiesta was raised at the East Malling Research Station in Kent in 1972. Parentage is Cox Orange Pippin x Idared. Patent expires 12/24/2010

