

## WILLIAMS' PRIDE

Early maturing attractive, dark red apple with excellent tart fruit quality. Flesh is medium to coarse grained, cream colored, firm, very crisp and breaking flesh; moderately to mildly sub-acid, slightly spicy, full rich flavor, juicy; excellent summer dessert quality. Moderate to large fruit size. Annual cropping, with slight biennial tendencies. Retains quality and crisp flesh texture for 6 weeks or more in refrigerated storage.



### Uses

- Flavour quality - good
- Flavour style – sweet & aromatic
- Good for eating fresh
- Picking season – August
- Use / keeping – 4 weeks

### Growing

- Cropping -
- Fertility – **self-infertile**
- Flowering group – 1 & 2, longlasting
- Precocity -
- Disease resistance –
- Vigour –
- Chill Factor: low chill.

## How to grow William's Pride trees

Field immune to apple scab; field immune to cedar-apple rust; high level of resistance to fire blight; good level of resistance to powdery mildew. It blooms over a long span. Annual cropping, with slight biennial tendencies. Vigorous, spreading, 90" crotch angles, very spurry wood. Similar in growth habit to 'Empire', but not quite as spurry. Moderately large tree size. Severe watercore may be a significant problem in some seasons. Slight bitter pit observed in a few seasons. Severe bitter pit was observed on young trees with their first crop on MM-111 rootstock, on very sandy soil, under heavy nitrogen and irrigation. Fruit borne in clusters on short spurs, may tend to be pushed off as they swell, giving some loss to dropped fruit. Slightly coarse flesh texture. Uneven ripening will require two or more pickings. Not recommended on MM-111 rootstock

## Pollination for Williams' Pride

Williams' Pride is in flowering groups 1 and 2. It is a **self-infertile** variety and needs a pollination partner nearby.

## Historical details

Cooperative breeding program (PRI) of Illinois, Indiana, and New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Stations. Parentage includes Melba, Rome, Mollie's Delicious, Jonathan and Wealthy.

