

AVOCADO CULTIVAR COMPARISONS

VARIETY	TYPE	TASTE	SIZE	SHAPE	COLOR	SKIN	OIL	HARVEST	TREE SIZE	SHAPE	COMMENTS
BACON	B	good	8-18 oz	pear	green	med thin	18%	December-February	medium	upright	Decent pollinator, consistent heavy production. Fruit quality best after mid winter, cold hardy. Can develop rot if left on tree too long.
CARMEN	A	XLNT	6-14 oz	pear to oval	green-black	med rough	18%	everbearing	compact	rounded	Hass with multiple blooms, heaviest production in spring locally. Typically fruits year 2-3. Known to heavily defoliate.
DON GILOGLY	A	XLNT	11-14 oz	long pear	green-black	med smooth		spring, summer	small	upright	Blooms spring & summer with two harvests.
EDRANOL	B	XLNT	9-18 oz	pear	green	med pebbly	22%	April-July	tall	slender	Long hang time, tends to alternate bear heavily, vigorous, small seed
ESTHER	A	XLNT	11 oz	pear	green	med		August - December	small	compact	Consistent very heavy production, genetics include Hass & Nabal, best near coast
FUERTE	B	XLNT	9-16 oz	pear	green	thin, rough		Nov-March	tall	spreading	Top 5 flavor, but productivity of each tree variable...most have light crops, alternate bearing
GEM	A	XLNT	7-18 oz	oval	green-black	med thick		March-Sept	compact med	upright	Daughter of Gwen, heavy consistent production, highly recommended, less alternate bearing than Haas, suited to high density plantings
GREEN GOLD	A	XLNT	12 oz	pear	green	med to thick		Feb-May	medium	upright	Daughter of Sharwil, tendency to alternate bearing
GWEN	A	good	6-15 oz	oval	green	med	18%	April-Sept	small-med	upright	Consistent very, very heavy production, daughter of Hass, delicate tree intolerant to cold, heat, wind or drought.
HOLIDAY	A	XLNT	18-30 oz	broad pear	green	med		July-Nov	smallest	spreading	Smallest tree known, firm flesh with salted butter flavor, good for espalier
JAN BOYCE	A	XLNT	7-11 oz	oval	green	medium		March-July	tall	spreading	Rated best tasting in local gardens. Small seed.
LAMB	A	XLNT	10-18 oz	pear	black	pebbly		June-Dec	compact	upright	Daughter of Gwen, heavy consistent production
NABAL	B	XLNT	16-30 oz	round	green	med thick	16%	June-September	large	upright	Alternate bearing, but very high quality
PINKERTON	A	XLNT	9-18 oz	long pear	green	med pebbly	19%	December-April	small to medium	spreading	Sometimes produces an earlier crop also. Small seed.
QUEEN	B	XLNT	20-34 oz	pear	green-purple	rough thick	14%	July-August	tall	spreading	Huge fruit with small seed
REED	A	XLNT	12-18 oz	round	green	med thick	20%	July-October	tall	narrow	Good back yard tree with consistent heavy production, possible hybrid of Nabal. Expect fruit year 2
SHARWIL	B	XLNT	8-16 oz	oval	green	med thick	20%	best April-August	small	spreading	Can be harvested March-January, fruit hangs 10+ mo., consistent moderate prod. Typically fruits year 2-3
SIR PRIZE	B	XLNT	12-16 oz	pear	green-black	med thin		March-July	small	spreading	This grandchild of Hass ripens earlier, tolerates more cold, big fruit with tiny seed
STEWART	B	XLNT	6-12 oz	pear	green-purple	smooth, thin	16%	Oct-Jan	tall	upright	Most cold tolerant to 25 degrees, Mexicola type, easy to peel, consistent good production