



Asian Pear *Pyrus pyrifolia*

Asian Pears should be planted in full sun and well drained soil. They should not be picked until fully ripe, as they will not continue to ripen after picking. They will not soften when ripe like some European pears do. A good way to tell when they are ripe for picking is when their green skin has fully turned to a yellow or russeted orange/brown color. When fully ripe, the stem is brown and the fruit should easily pop off the tree when flipped upside down. Asian pears are great for a wide variety of uses such as fresh eating, sauces, salads, marinades, baking, canning and more.

Hosui

USDA Zone: 5-9

Harvest Date: August-September

Flavor: Mildly sweet, slightly tart, juicy, crisp

Fruit Size & Shape: Large, round

Tree Height: 15-20'

Tree Width: 15-20'

Self Fertile: Partly, but benefits from cross-pollination



Kosui

USDA Zone: 4-9

Harvest Date: July-August

Flavor: Sweet, crisp, juicy, butterscotch

Fruit Size & Shape: Medium-large, round

Tree Height: 10-20'

Tree Width: 10-15'

Self Fertile: Partly, but benefits from cross-pollination



Shinko

USDA Zone: 5-9

Harvest Date: August-September

Flavor: Very Sweet, crisp, juicy, honey, citrus

Fruit Size & Shape: Large, round

Tree Height: 15-20'

Tree Width: 10-15'

Self Fertile: Partly, but benefits from cross-pollination



Shinseiki

USDA Zone: 5-10

Harvest Date: July-August

Flavor: Sweet, crisp, mildly tart, honey

Fruit Size & Shape: Medium-large, round

Tree Height: 12-15'

Tree Width: 12-15'

Self Fertile: Yes



Olympic (Korean Giant)

USDA Zone: 5-9

Harvest Date: September-October

Flavor: Very Sweet, butterscotch

Fruit Size & Shape: Very large, round

Tree Height: 10-15'

Tree Width: 10-12'

Self Fertile: No



12/15/25 <https://www.davewilson.com/nurseries/products/fruit-trees/asian-pear/>

12/15/2025 <https://uncommonfruit.cias.wisc.edu/asian-pear/>

12/15/2025 <https://treefruit.wsu.edu/variety/kosui-good-water/>

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