



Peach *Prunus persica*

Peaches should be planted in full sun with well-drained soil, they will do best in the highest and driest spot. They are all self-fertile and other peaches will have no effect of increasing yield. They should be harvested when still firm, as they will continue to ripen at room temperature or in the refrigerator after picking. To check for readiness, gently squeeze the neck of the pear — it should have a slight give when ripe. Different cultivars have their best uses: some are ideal for fresh eating, while others are better suited for baking, canning, or preserving.

Yellow Peaches

Contender

USDA Zone: 4–8

Harvest: Mid-August

Flavor: Sweet, classic peach flavor; low acid

Fruit: Medium to large yellow freestone

Tree Size (Semi-Dwarf): 10–14 ft tall × 8–12 ft wide

Cresthaven

USDA Zone: 5–8

Harvest: Late August

Flavor: Sweet, juicy, firm flesh

Fruit: Large yellow freestone

Tree Size (Semi-Dwarf): 10–14 ft tall × 8–12 ft wide

Pollination:

Elberta

USDA Zone: 5–8

Harvest: Late August to early September

Flavor: Rich, classic peach flavor

Fruit: Large yellow freestone

Tree Size (Semi-Dwarf): 10–14 ft tall × 8–12 ft wide

Harvester

USDA Zone: 5–8

Harvest: Mid to late August

Flavor: Sweet, juicy

Fruit: Medium yellow freestone

Tree Size (Semi-Dwarf): 10–14 ft tall × 8–12 ft wide



Redhaven

USDA Zone: 5–8

Harvest: Late July to early August

Flavor: Sweet, well-balanced

Fruit: Medium yellow freestone with red blush

Tree Size (Semi-Dwarf): 10–15 ft tall × 8–14 ft wide



Redskin

USDA Zone: 5–9

Harvest: Late August

Flavor: Sweet, firm texture

Fruit: Large yellow freestone with heavy red blush

Tree Size (Semi-Dwarf): 10–14 ft tall × 8–12 ft wide



Donut White Peaches

Galaxy

USDA Zone: 5–9

Harvest: Mid to late July

Flavor: Very sweet, low acid

Fruit: White flesh, flat “donut” shape

Tree Size (Semi-Dwarf): 10–14 ft tall × 8–12 ft wide



Saturn

USDA Zone: 5–9

Harvest: Mid to late July

Flavor: Very sweet, low acid

Fruit: White flesh, flat “donut” shape

Tree Size (Semi-Dwarf): 10–14 ft tall × 8–12 ft wide



White Peaches

Giant Babcock

USDA Zone: 6–9

Harvest: Mid July to early August

Flavor: Sweet, aromatic, low acid

Fruit: Large white freestone

Tree Size (Semi-Dwarf): 10–14 ft tall × 8–12 ft wide



Snow Giant

USDA Zone: 6–9

Harvest: Early to mid August

Flavor: Very sweet, sub-acid

Fruit: Very large white freestone

Tree Size (Semi-Dwarf): 10–14 ft tall × 8–12 ft wide

Sugar Giant

USDA Zone: 6–9

Harvest: Mid to late August

Flavor: Extremely sweet, low acid

Fruit: Large white freestone

Tree Size (Semi-Dwarf): 10–14 ft tall × 8–12 ft wide

Sugar May

USDA Zone: 6–9

Harvest: Mid July

Flavor: Sweet, mild

Fruit: Medium to large white freestone

Tree Size (Semi-Dwarf): 10–14 ft tall × 8–12 ft wide



White Lady

USDA Zone: 6–9

Harvest: Early to mid August

Flavor: Very sweet, sub-acid

Fruit: Medium to large white freestone

Tree Size (Semi-Dwarf): 10–14 ft tall × 8–12 ft wide



Tree size, harvest dates, and fruit characteristics may vary depending on climate, soil conditions, cultural practices, and rootstock. Flavor descriptions represent general characteristics.

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