



ORCHARD IN BLOOM, NEVADA COUNTY, CAL.





Felix Gillet

1835 - 1908

# Felix Gillet

The Father of California and Pacific NW Perennial Agriculture

- Established his Barren Hill Nursery in Nevada City, CA in 1871, the second major nursery in California
- Imported and bred hundreds of plant varieties that became the foundation of West Coast agriculture, and particularly California perennial crops. Many of his introductions are still commonly grown, while others provided the foundation breeding material for today's commercial and home varieties.
- Ran nursery until his death in 1908, then carried on by C.E. Parsons until 1967, when it was the oldest operating nursery in California
- Primary source for the commercial establishment in the West: Almonds, Walnuts, Chestnuts, Filberts, Prunes, European Plums, Wine, Table and Raisin Grapes, Strawberries, Pears, Cherries, Figs, Apricots, Peaches, Quince, Apples, Roses, Currants, Gooseberries and numerous other crops





Gillet House & Nursery  
Nevada City, CA





Attached Solar

Greenhouse





Buerre Clairgeau Pear





Seth with Buerre Clairgeau at Gillet's House





HERE  
LIVED AND WORKED

**FELIX GILLET**

A FRENCHMAN BY BIRTH,  
AN AMERICAN BY ADOPTION  
FROM 1871 TO 1908,  
THROUGH WHOSE VISION AND  
PERSEVERANCE THE HORTICULTURE OF  
THE WORLD WAS ENRICHED BY THE  
PROPAGATION AND CULTURE OF  
WALNUTS, ALBERTS, CHESTNUTS, PRUNES.

IN COMMEMORATION OF HIS WORK  
THIS TABLET WAS SET MARCH 7, 1955  
BY THE WOMEN'S CIVIC CLUB OF  
NEVADA CITY, CALIFORNIA.



- The modern odyssey of Felix Gillet began in 1970 when Amigo Bob Cantisano picked some of his fruit at Buck's Ranch.
- The Felix Gillet Institute was founded by Amigo in 2001 to further the research on, and preservation of, the amazing array of food producing plants brought to California and the West by Felix Gillet of Nevada City, and other pioneering farmers, ranchers and homesteaders.



# The Felix Gillet Institute

- Dedicated to the appreciation, preservation and propagation of heirloom edible and ornamental perennials from the Sierra
- 501(c)3 non profit organization
- theFGI@gmail.com or 530-292-3619
- [www.felixgillet.org](http://www.felixgillet.org)
- Facebook: Felix Gillet Institute

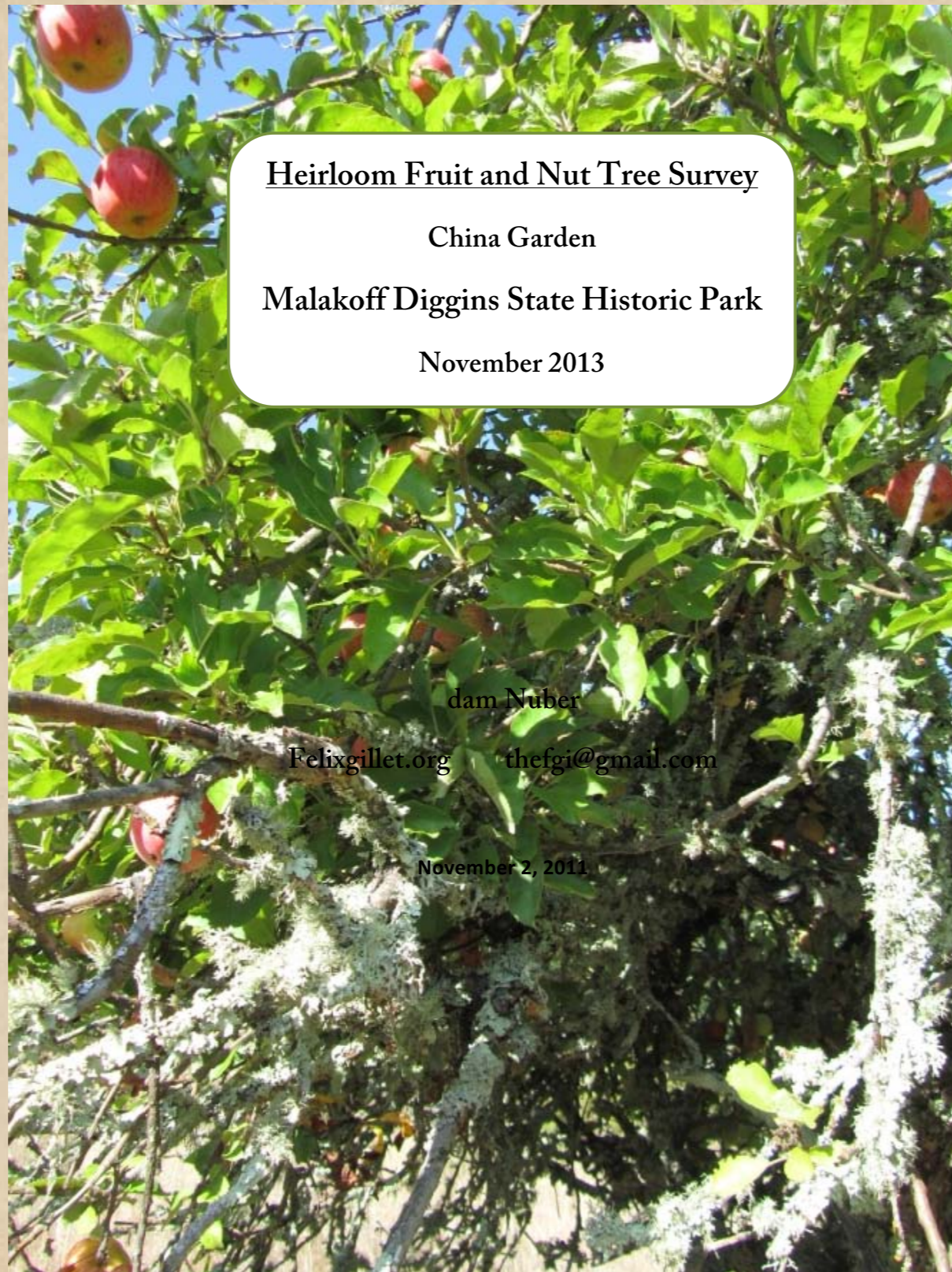


- Have identified more than 625 heirloom tree locations, comprising over 2000 specimens in the Sierra foothills
- Extensive variety identification and evaluations by Jenifer Bliss and Adam Nuber
- Educational training program for high school ag students
- Fruit tastings and education



- Offering more than 75 varieties of organically grown trees propagated from Gillet heirloom introductions including: apples, pears, cherries, figs, plums, prunes, quince, grapes, almonds, chestnuts, walnuts, lilacs & roses
- Available as dormant, bareroot plants January through March
- Future offerings: Mulberries, Hawthorne, Medlar, Hickory, Holly and many more vars of fruits, nuts and grapes





Heirloom Fruit and Nut Tree Survey  
China Garden  
Malakoff Diggins State Historic Park  
November 2013

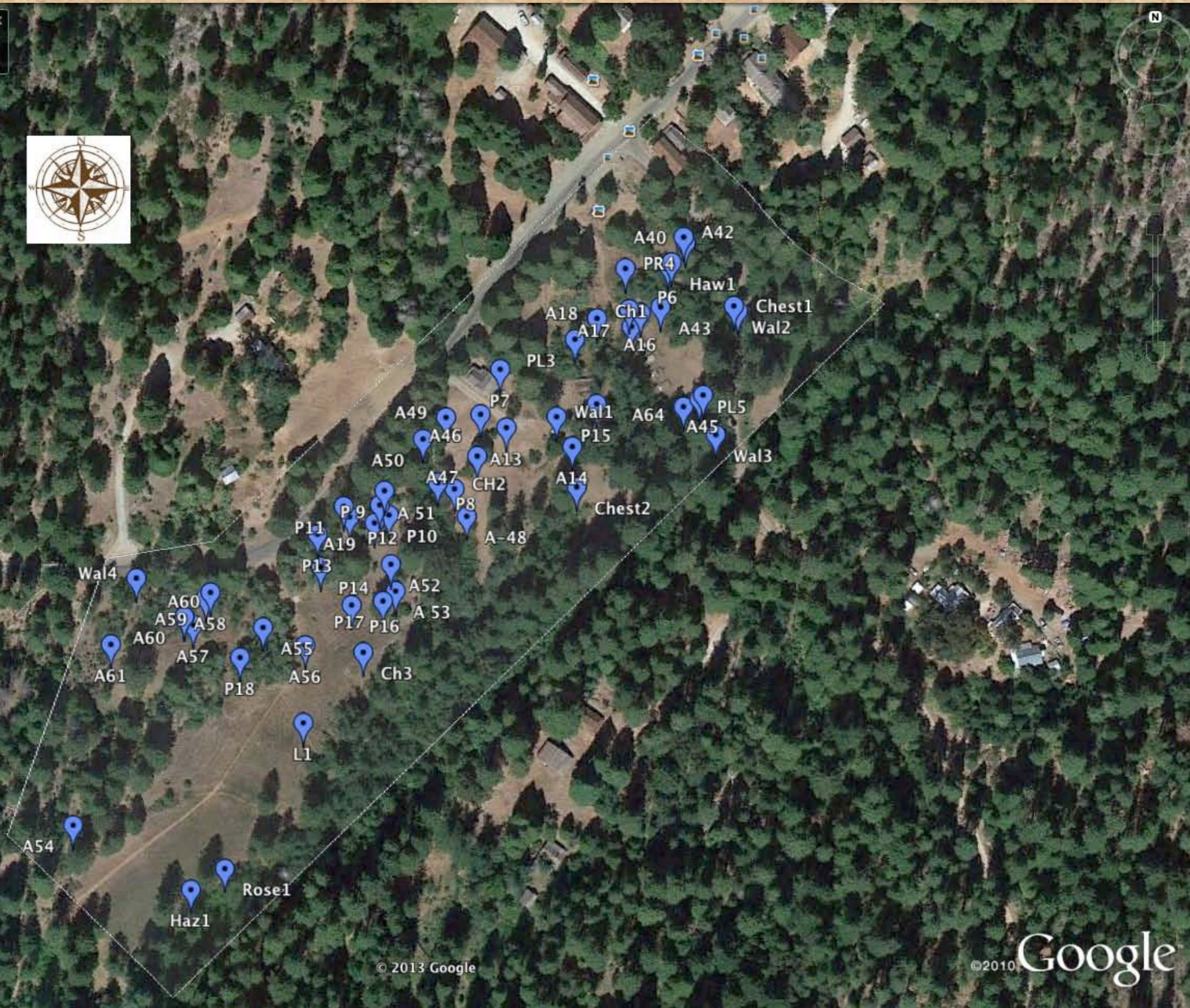
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November 2, 2011



9/14/2013 10 am  
10/13/2013 12 pm  
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Eye alt 1.56 km





Comparative Gillet Cherry  
Tasting





Adam and Jenifer Identifying Apples





Amigo Cutting Scions for Grafting






Adam cutting scions of Marron de Lyon Chestnut for summer budding





Robert Wooley with chestnut scions for budding



A photograph showing a man, Dan Crebbin, crouching in a field and gesturing with his hands while explaining something to a group of people. He is wearing a dark vest over a light-colored shirt and dark pants. In the background, there are several young trees planted in rows, and a woman in a grey jacket and blue cap is holding a purple notebook. The scene is outdoors with a wire fence and tall trees in the distance. The photo is mounted on a light brown, textured background.

Dan Crebbin Teaching  
Grafting













Felix Gillet Institute crew grafting apples





Adam in FGI Organic Nursery









Grafting  
Class





Comparative Heirloom Apple Fruit Tasting



Gillet Fruit & Nut  
Display at Heirloom  
Expo







Joseph Pressing Gillet Apples in Forest City





Abby Harvesting American Chestnuts





Non Toxic Codling Moth Control





Codling Moth Pheromone Trap



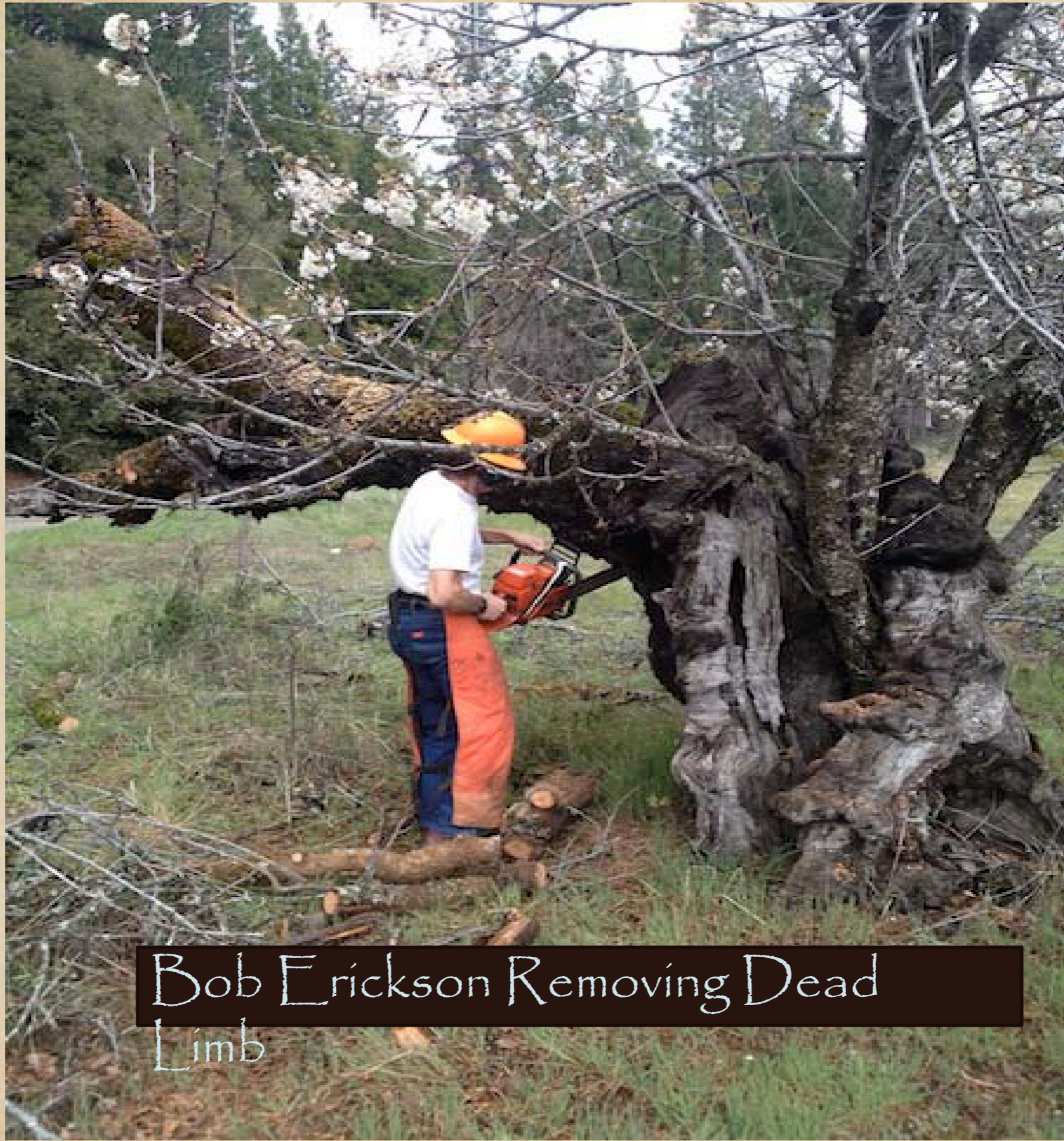


Saving Endangered Guigne Marbree Cherry Tree in Lake  
City









Bob Erickson Removing Dead  
Limb









Heirloom Cherry Wood for Artisan  
Craftsmen







# How You Can Help Our Project

- Become a member of the FGI
- Tell us about old plants you know of
- Donate to our non profit organization
- Buy and plant our nursery stock
- Volunteer for fruit explorations and nursery work
- Spread the word about Felix and the FGI



# Support Our Crowdfunding Campaign to Plant a Mother Orchard to Preserve the Best of the Gold Rush Era Fruits, Nuts and Grapes

- We are planting a Mother Block to bring these wild plants into a protected, organically farmed genetic preserve for future generations to enjoy
- We need to raise \$30,000 by August 12
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# Buck's Ranch

- ◆ The four Buck brothers established their ranch at 4200' in the Sierra adjacent to Orleans Flat hydraulic gold mine in 1868, raising fruits, nuts, dairy and meat cows, chickens and grain to sell to the miners of the San Juan Ridge.
- ◆ Amigo Bob rediscovered their legacy in 1970, 12 miles down a dirt road in the forest





Buck's Ranch  
Orleans Flat, CA







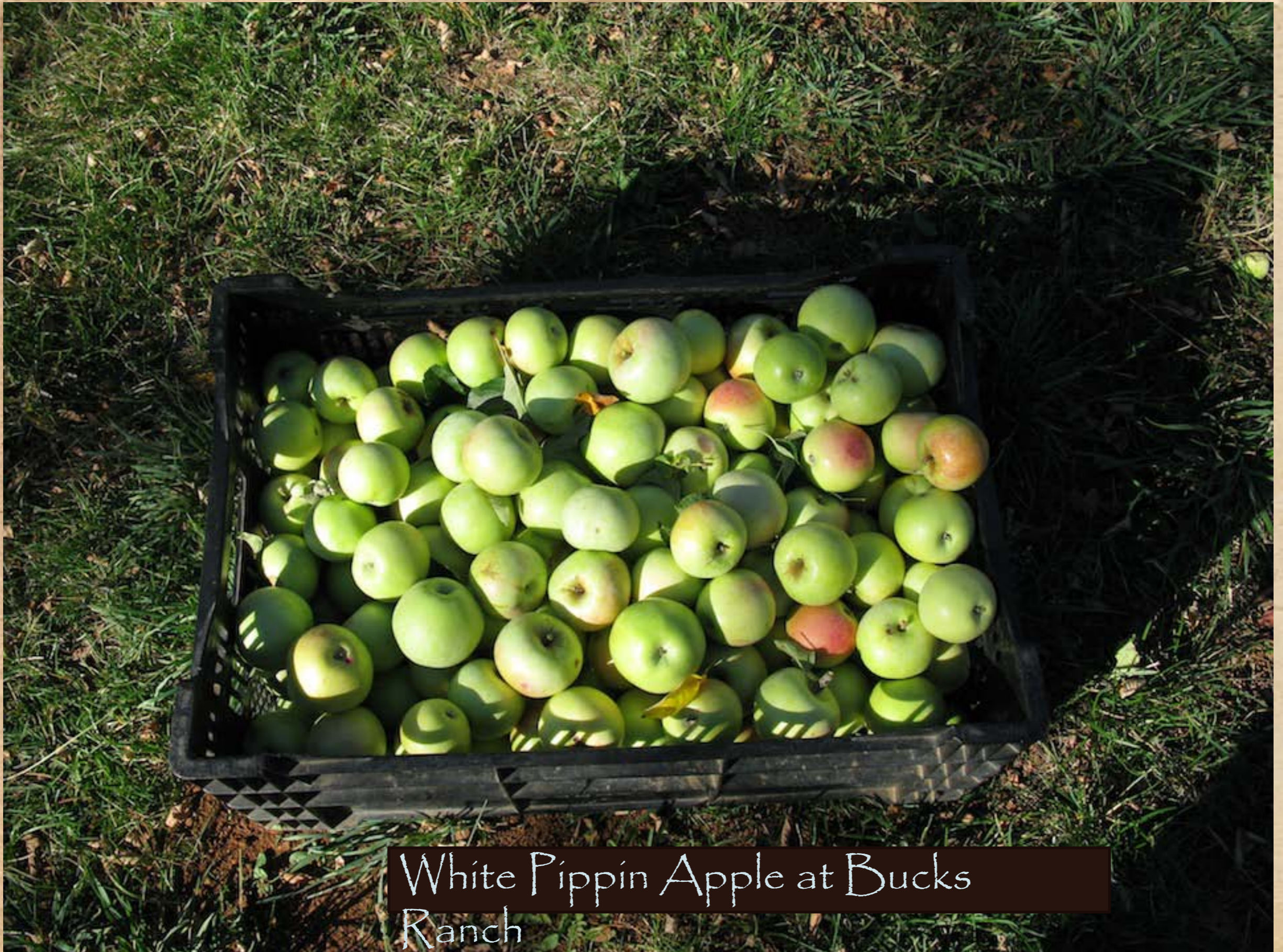






Swaar  
Apple





White Pippin Apple at Bucks  
Ranch





Calville Rouge Apple at Bucks Ranch





Calville Rouge Apple  
Bucks Ranch





Yellow Bellflower Apple  
Buck's Ranch



- In addition to the 70+ apple trees, Buck's Ranch has numerous pears, cherries, walnuts, black locust, blackberry, prune and raspberry.
- All of these appear to be from Gillet



NEW! THE VERY BEST! TRUE TO NAME!

# BARREN HILL NURSERIES.

Supplement to General Catalogue

AND

Price List for the Season of 1886 and 1887.

NUT-BEARING TREES & PRUNES



CLUSTER WALNUT.

APRICOTS, CHERRIES, FIGS, QUINCES AND GRAPE NOVELTIES.

TREES AND PLANTS BY MAIL A SPECIALTY.

MULBERRY TREES AND SILKWORM EGGS.

FELIX GILLET, PROPRIETOR.

NEVADA CITY, CALIFORNIA.

1886.

DEB. SPAULDING & CO. PRN. 44 CLAY ST. S. F.



- Felix Gillet was the French Connection
- He also introduced plants from Afghanistan, Algeria, Austria, China, Denmark, Egypt, England, Germany, Greece, Holland, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Pakistan, Portugal, Russia, Spain and the United States





St. Jean Fig at Bridgeport  
CA



# Gillet Fig Varieties

- Blanquette, Black of San Jose (Black Mission), Buissonne, Date, French Paillarde, Grosse Marseillaise, Juane Longue, Magdalen, Napolitaine, Noirmoutier, Pajaudiere, St. Jean, Verdale, Versailles, White Adriatic, White Magdeline (16 varieties)





*Saint Jean Fig*





French Paillarde Fig in Nevada City  
CA



French Paillarde Fig











Adriatic Fig in Camptonville CA





Adriatic Fig





Adriatic Fig





Adriatic Fig



Black of San Jose  
(aka Black Mission)









# Gillet Cherry Varieties

- Amoury Precose, April Guigne, Belle de Choissy, Bigarreau de Mai, Bigarreau Grosse de Mezel (aka Bing), Black Tartarian, Early Amaury, Early Black Guigne, Early Lamaurie, Early Purple Guigne, Early Tarascon, Elton's Yellow, Glossy Black, Guigne Marbree, Native Tarrascon, Late Purple Guigne, May Duke, Montmorency, Napoleon Bigarreau, Precose de Tarascon, Queen Hortense, Rouge Tardine, Royal Anne, Royal Early, Spa (Belle de Chatenay), Violet Bigarreau, Yellow of Crimea (26 varieties)









Guigne Marbree Cherry at Lake City, CA Circa





Guigne Marbree Cherry at Lake City  
Circa 2011



Guigne Marbree Cherry







Bigarreau Grosse de Mezel Cherry  
(aka Bing Cherry)  
Columbia Hill, CA





Tarrascon Cherry and  
Lake City Sunshine  
Rose



Tarrascon Cherry  
Lake City, CA





Bigerreau de Mai Cherry  
Birchville, CA

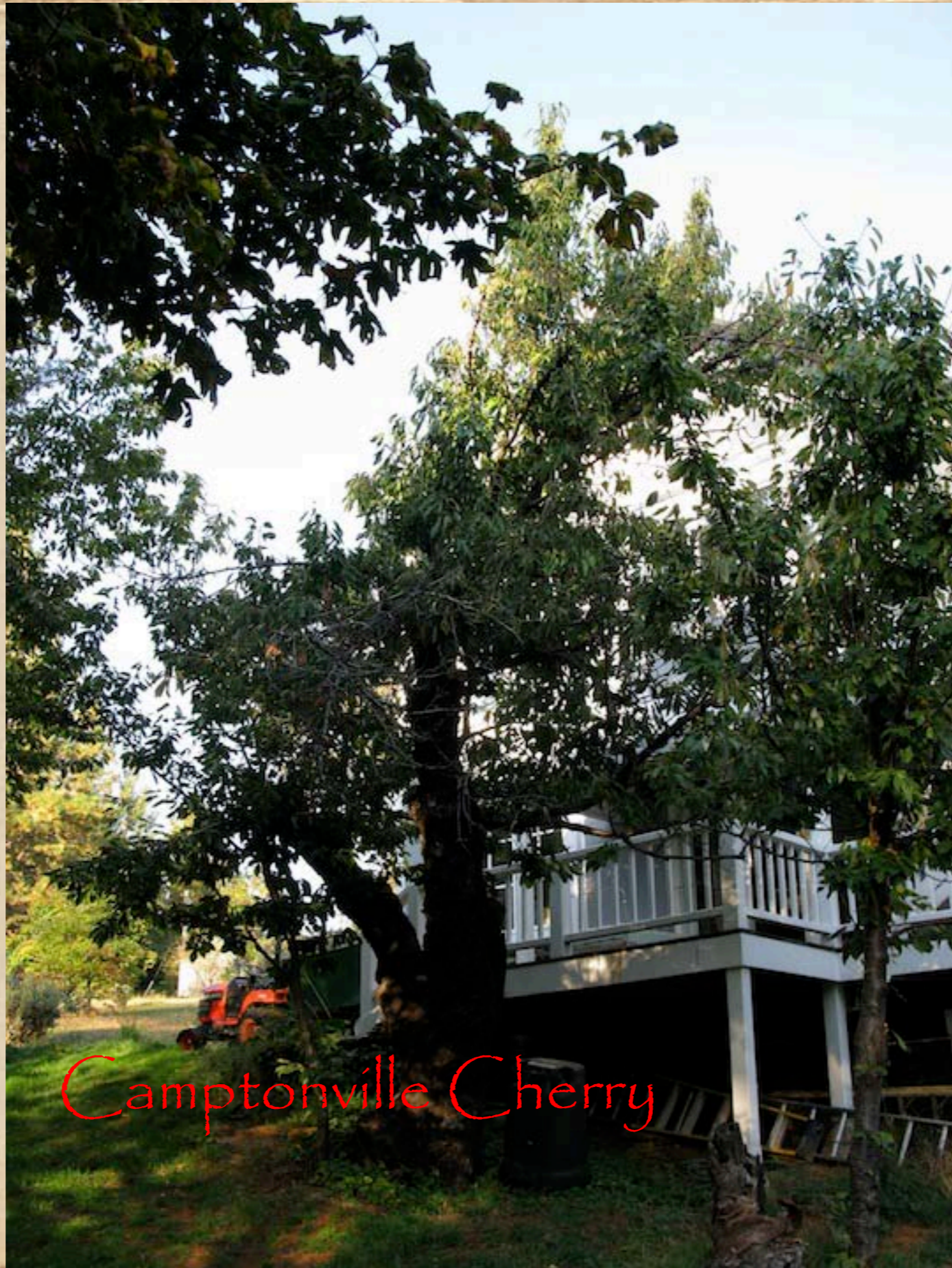




Bigarreau de Mai  
Birchville, CA







Camptonville Cherry

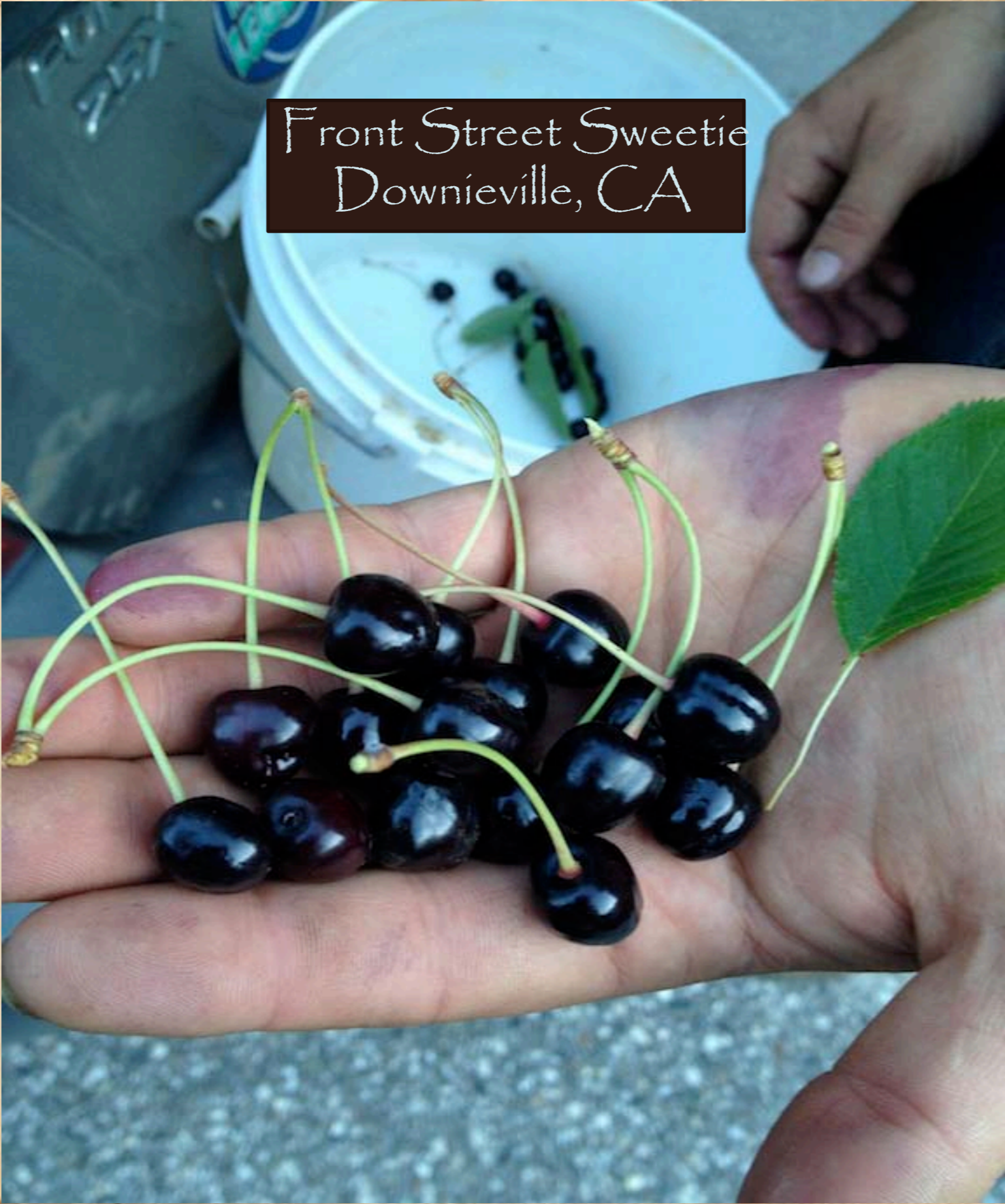


Black Tartarian Cherry  
Columbia Hill, CA



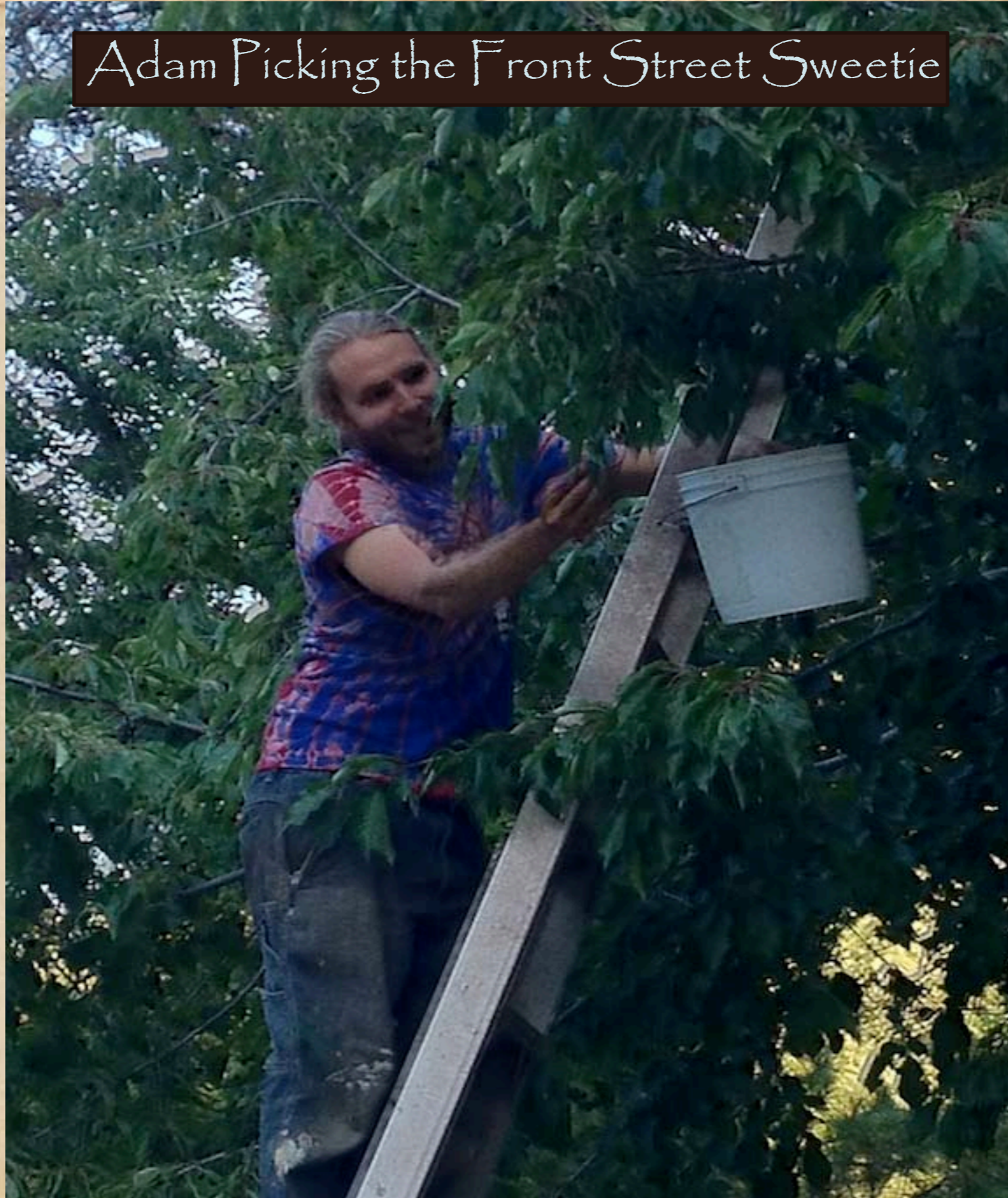


Front Street Sweetie  
Downieville, CA





Adam Picking the Front Street Sweetie





Napoleon Bigarreau Cherry  
Downieville, CA

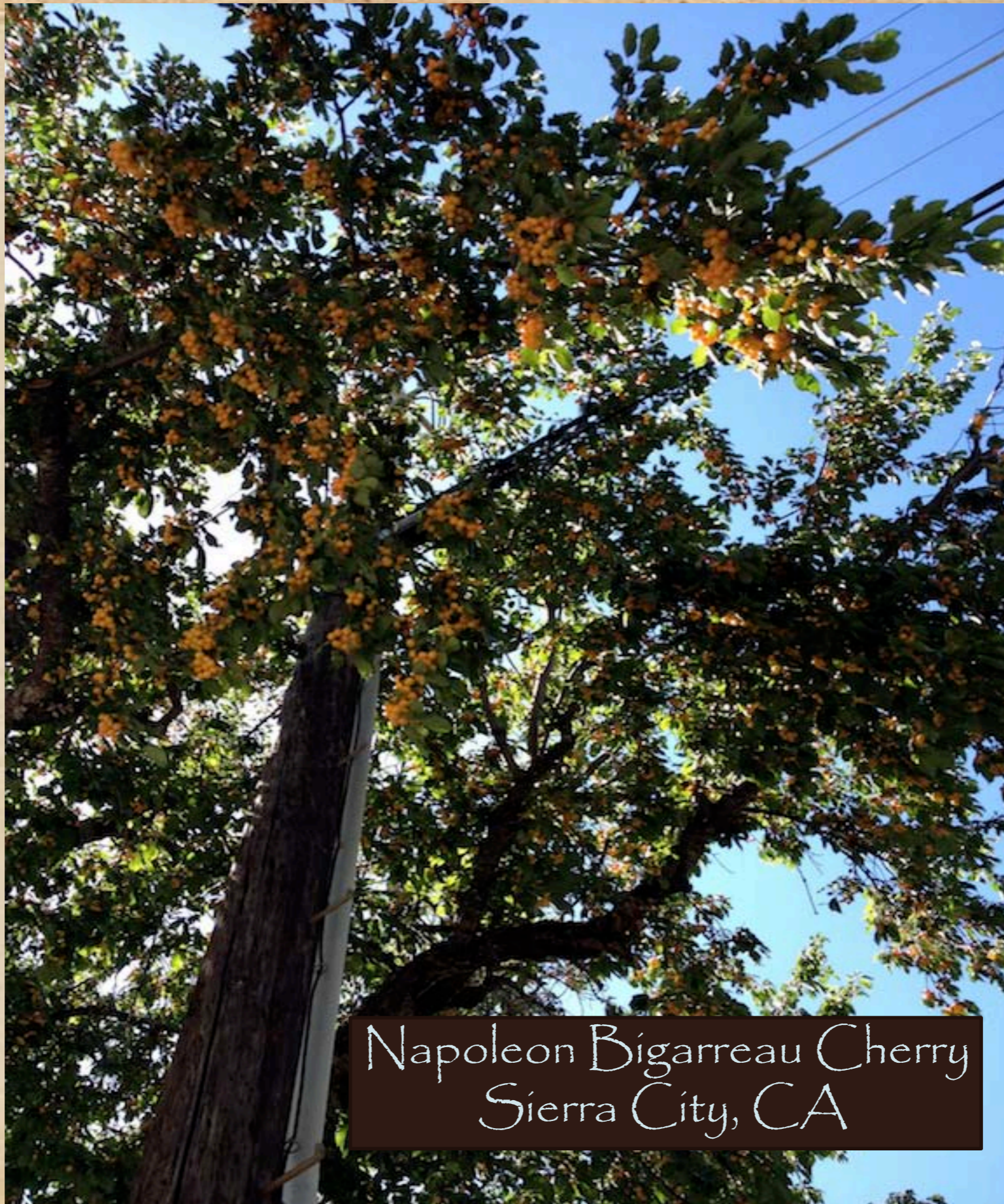






Napoleon Bigarreau  
Sierra City, CA





Napoleon Bigarreau Cherry  
Sierra City, CA





Napoleon Bigarreau Cherry





CHERRIES FROM  
GRASS VALLEY, CALIFORNIA.





Petite Syrah  
Grape  
Brownsville, CA



# Gillet Wine Grapes

- ◆ Offered 241 varieties of grapes in one catalog!
- ◆ Wine varieties included:
- ◆ Alcantino, Barbarosa, Black Gamay (aka Napa Gamay), Black Hamburg, Bouschet Alicante, Cabernet Sauvignon, Carignane, Carmenet of Medoc, Catawba, Champagne Varieties, Charbonneau, Chardonnay, Dolcetta, Gamay, Grenache, Malaga, Malbec, Malvoise, Mataro, Menuier, Merlot, Mission...



# Gillet Wine Grapes

- ◆ Muscat (16 varieties), Petite Bouschet, Petite Gamay, Petite Syrah, Pineau of Burgundy, Pinot Blanc, Pinot Gris, Pinot Noir, Rousanne, Sauvignon Blanc, Semillon, Syrah, Teinturier, Tokay, Vigonier, Zinfandel
- ◆ And more than 100 other varieties!



# Table and Raisin Grapes

- ◆ Barbarossa, Black Corinth Seedless, Black Hamburg, Emperor, Kish Mish (aka Thompson Seedless), Lady Finger, Malvoisie, Muscat of Alexandria, Muscatel, Orange Flowered Muscat, Rose Corinth Seedless (aka Champagne grape), Tokay, White Corinth Seedless, Zante Seedless "Currant"
- ◆ And more than 50 other varieties!





Cabernet Sauvignon  
St. Helena, Napa Valley,  
CA





Charbonneau Wine Grape  
Calistoga, Napa Valley,  
CA





Bouschet Alicante Wine Grape





Bouschet Alicante Wine  
Grape  
Camptonville, CA





Malvoisie  
Grape

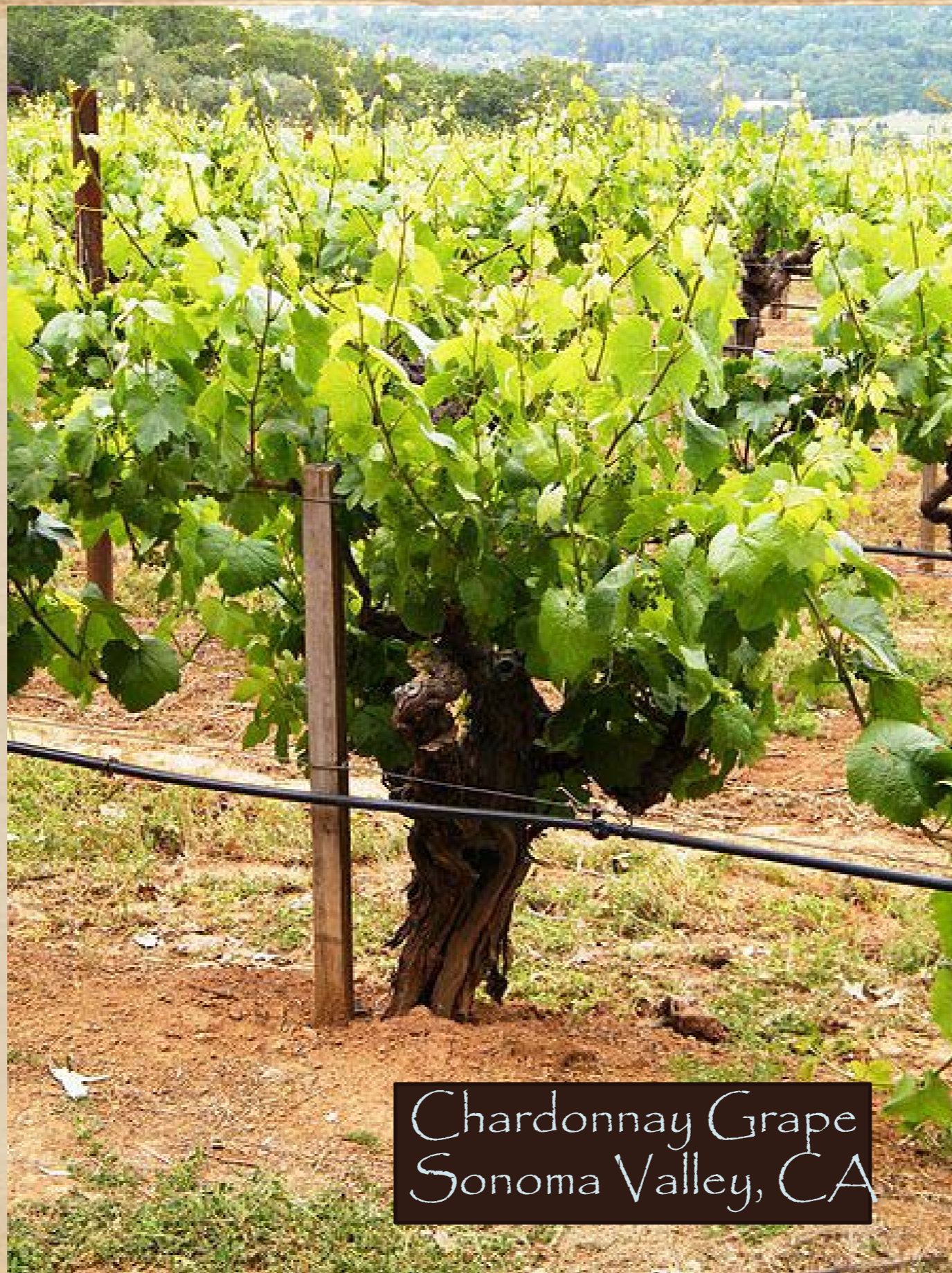




Malvoisie Wine  
Grape

Nevada City, CA





Chardonnay Grape  
Sonoma Valley, CA



Chardonnay Grape  
Carneros, Napa Valley, CA







Seth with Lowell Hill, CA Mystery Wine Grape





Kish Mish  
(aka) Thompson Seedless Grape  
Delano, CA



# Gillet Walnut Varieties

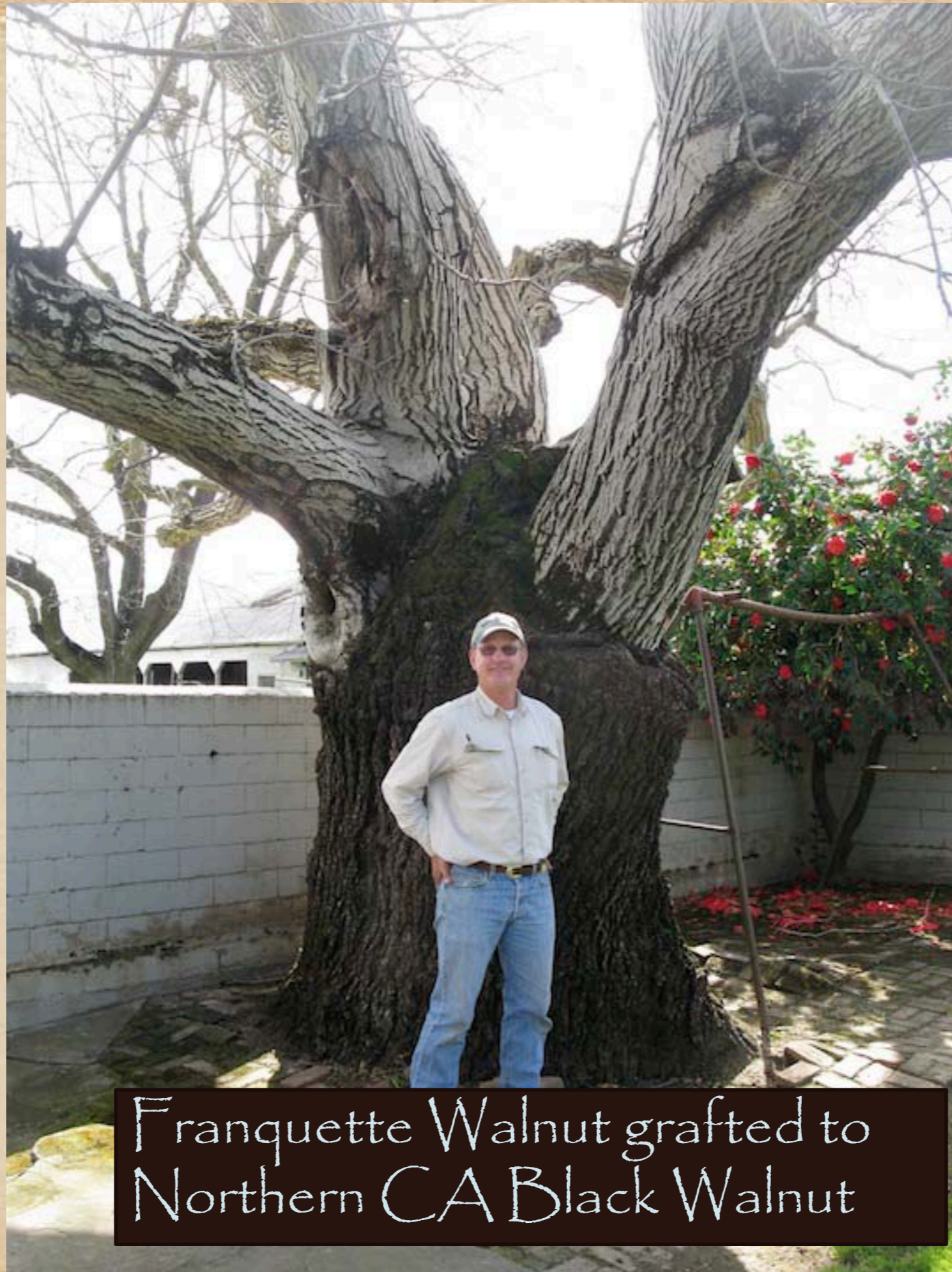
- Alpine (Wonder of the Alps), Ash Leaved (Lanciniated), Barthere, California Black, California Chabert, California Paper Shell, Chaberte, Cluster, Columbus, de la St. Jon, Eastern Black, Franquette, Galban, Gant (aka Bijou), Glady (aka Improved Bijou), Jewelers, Lanfray, Macrocarpa, Mammoth (aka Fertile a Gros), Martin, Mayette, Mesange (aka Paper Shell), Meylan, Monophylla, Parisienne Praeparturiens (Fertile) (6 vars), Parry, Poorman's, Serotina (aka Late Walnut), Vilmorin (aka Cross Bred), Vourey, Weeping (36 varieties)



Franquette Walnut  
Rio Oso, CA







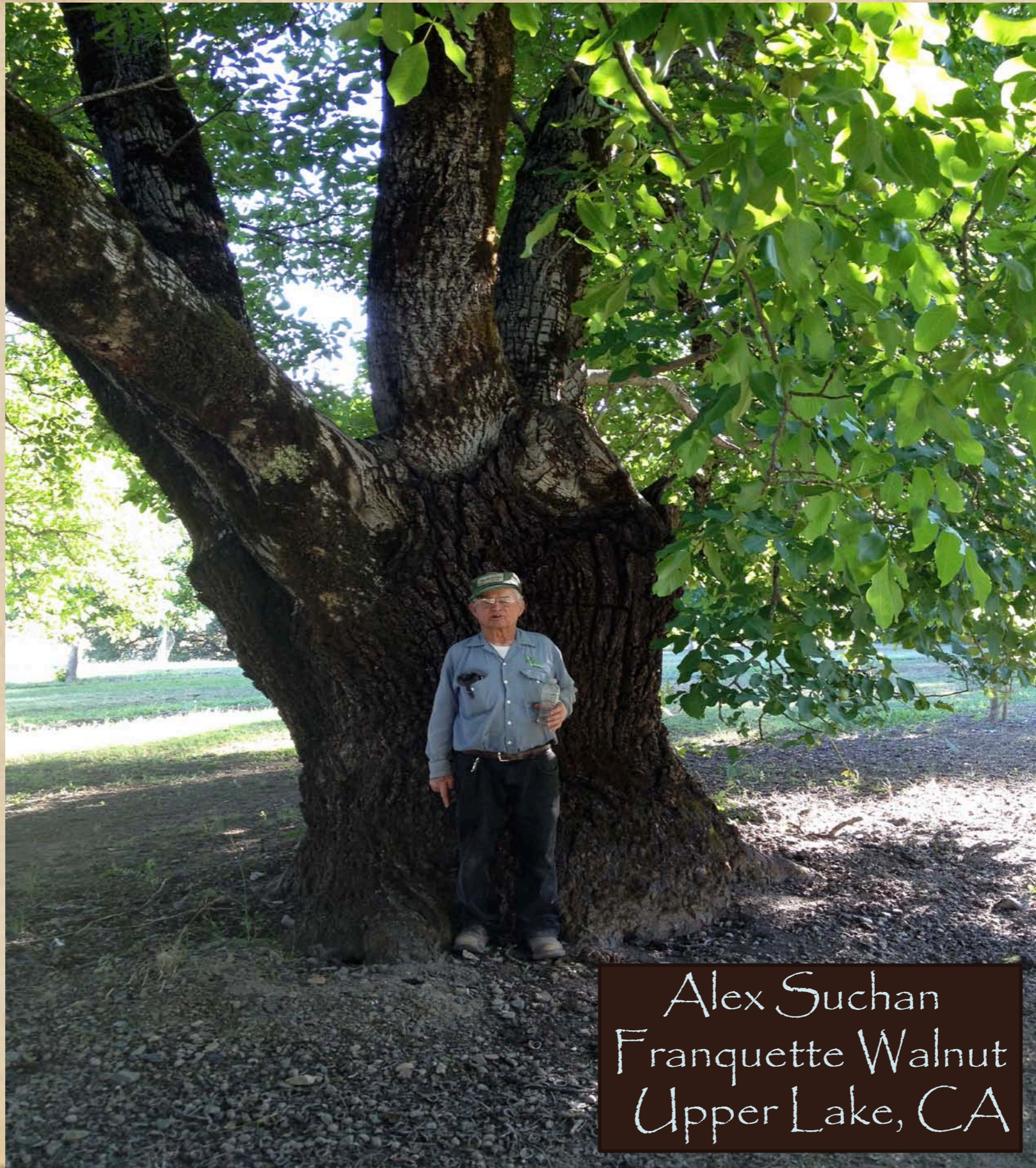
Franquette Walnut grafted to  
Northern CA Black Walnut





California's Largest Walnut  
Franquette  
Upper Lake, CA



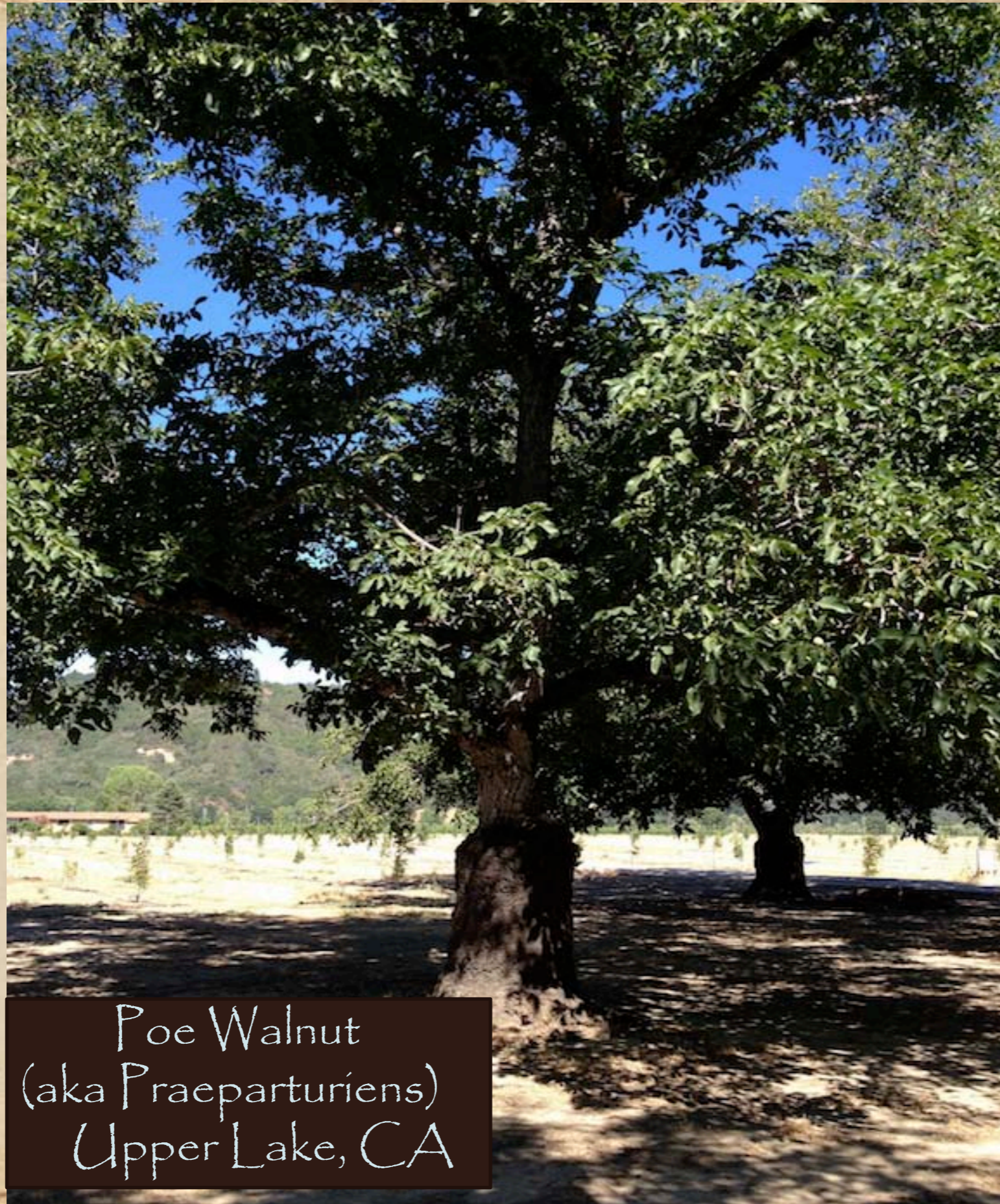


Alex Suchan  
Franquette Walnut  
Upper Lake, CA









Poe Walnut  
(aka Praeparturiens)  
Upper Lake, CA



Chaberte Walnut  
No. San Juan, CA







Chauberte Walnut





Chauberte Walnut





Meylan Walnut  
Upper Lake,  
CA



Mayette Walnut  
Grass Valley, CA







Mayette Walnut  
Grass Valley, CA





Sprouted Walnut Seedling



1885.

## SUPPLEMENT TO GENERAL CATALOGUE

BARREN HILL NURSERIES,

NEVADA CITY.

FELIX GILLET, - - - PROPRIETOR.

### A CHAPTER ON WALNUTS.

**Proparturiens or Fertile or Early-Bearing Walnut.**—Since the introduction by us into California, in the winter of 1870-71, of this valuable kind of walnut, we have found it to do still better in this country than in its native land, France. In the latter country the nut grows from small to medium, though very rich; but in California from medium to large. With seedlings, entirely raised here, the nut takes all sorts of shapes, though more commonly a somewhat oval shape, and quite broad at the head, with a full-fleshed, sweet, delicate kernel.

We have upon our place, as showed to visitors, Proparturiens walnuts of two, three and four years in bearing; but will say that the Proparturiens does not go to "regular bearing," that is, do not grow any staminate buds, or catkins, before any other kinds of walnut, except grafted trees. Such young Proparturiens that bear pistillate blossoms or nuts, with a complete absence of staminate or male blossoms, must have the nuts fertilized by the catkins of larger walnuts in the neighborhood, should they be at a distance of half a mile. The pollen of the Black walnut's blossoms, if carried by the wind in the direction of the little Proparturiens loaded with nuts, will fecundate the latter without mixing up the kinds. The pollen from a catkin may also be shaken upon the little trees' blossoms, and thus be made to fertilize their nuts, as Mr. Ed. Muller, of Nevada City, did, in the year 1884, with a little tree obtained from us, and

which gave him twenty-three full-fleshed, very pretty nuts.

People must, therefore, well understand that, as precocious as the Proparturiens is in bearing, still it does not go to "regular bearing" before it is seven to eight years old, unless planted in very rich soil where it will make a very large growth the first five or six years.

But this precocity in bearing and its great fertility, is not, by far, the most important characteristic of the Proparturiens walnut; for we have invariably found that its pistillate buds are fully out at the same time as its staminate buds, which is an immense advantage on the common English walnut, whose staminate blossoms are out and gone before the pistillate ones or nuts have appeared; so that when the latter are out, there is not a solitary catkin on the tree to fertilize the nuts. At least such is the case with the English walnut in Nevada, Placer, Alameda, and other counties in California, and also in Oregon, as we were told lately. In Nevada City and neighborhood, we have twenty-five years old English walnuts, that are yet completely barren, frost or no frost, though full of blossoms every year. So we would call the special attention of the horticultural public to this anomaly and defect of the common kind of English walnut as cultivated on this coast; and it is easy for anybody to ascertain the correctness of those facts at blooming time, wherever there are such sorts of unbearing, barren walnuts.



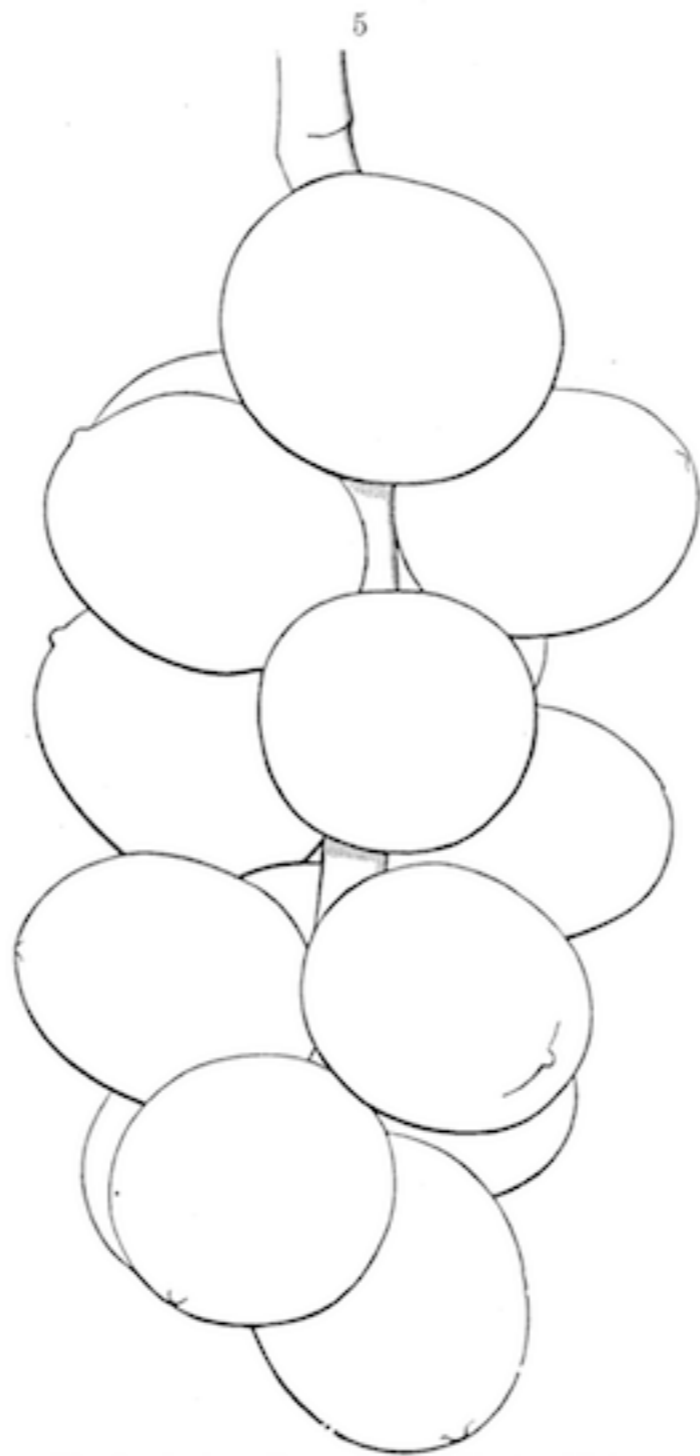


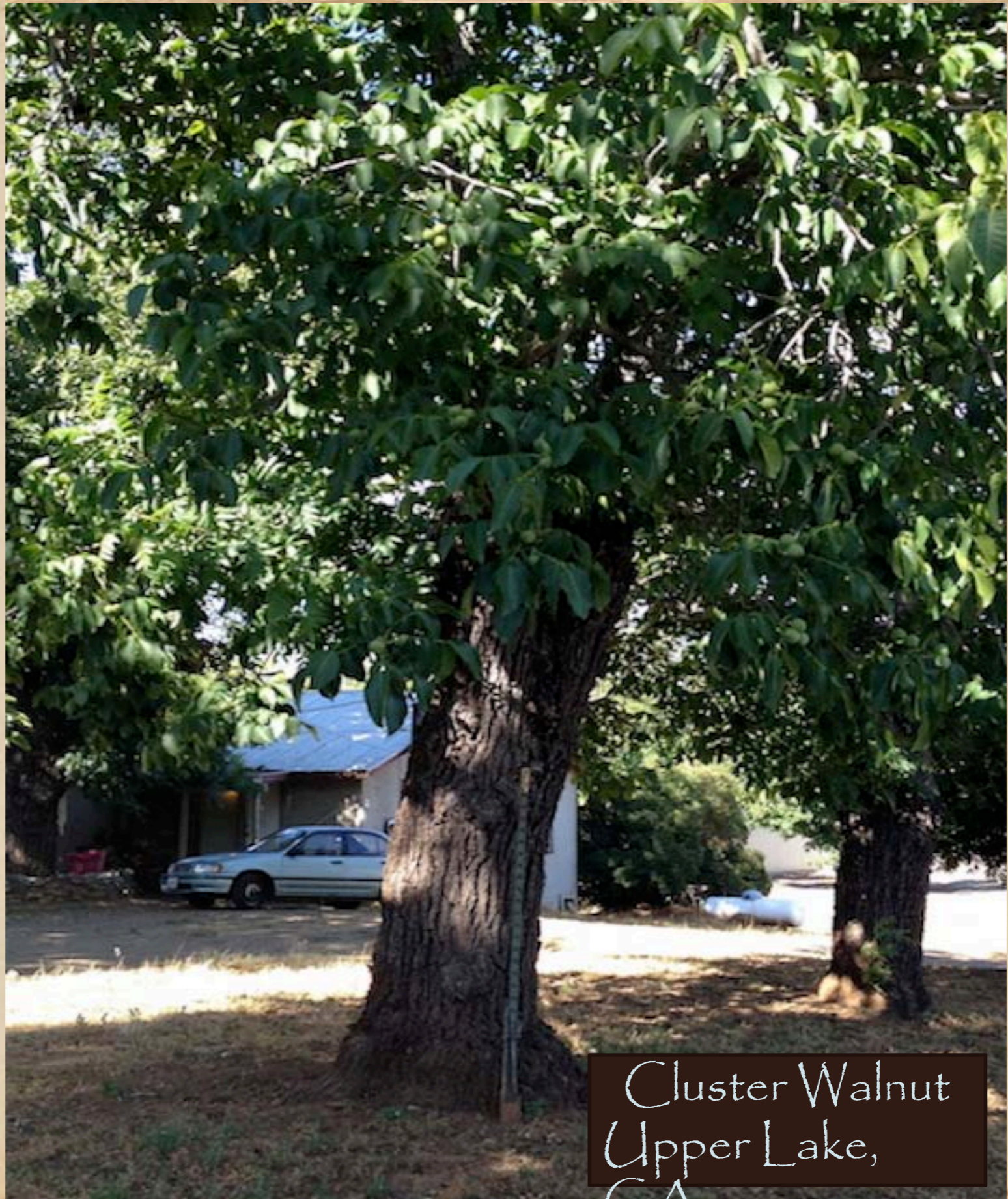
Fig. 8. *Juglans Racemosa*, or Cluster Walnut.  
(Natural Size.)





Cluster Walnut  
Upper Lake, CA





Cluster Walnut  
Upper Lake,  
CA









Fig. 1. Gant Walnut.



Fig. 2. Cluster Walnut.



Fig. 3.  
Large Fruited  
Præparturiens Walnut.



Fig. 4.  
Late Præparturiens  
Walnut.



Fig. 5.  
Chalbete  
Walnut.



Fig. 6.  
Marron de Lyon.  
(California Grown.)



Fig. 7.  
Marron Combale.  
(California Grown.)



Male and Female Blossoms of Nut Bearing Trees.



Walnut.  
(Male Blossom, or Catkin.)



Walnut.  
(Female Blossom.)



Chestnut.  
(Male and Female Blossoms.)



Medlar.



Filbert.  
(Male and Female Blossoms.)

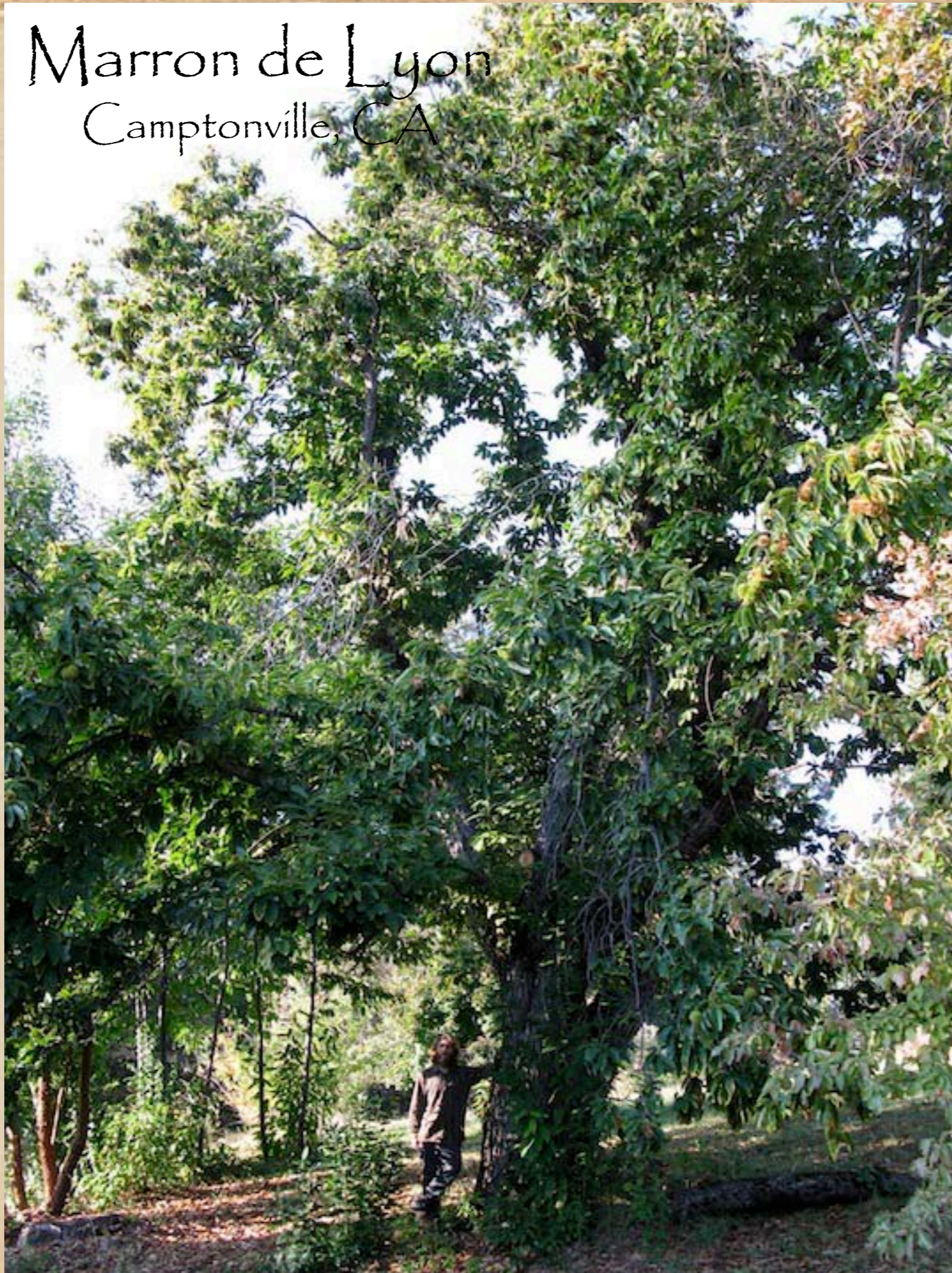


# Gillet Chestnut Varieties

- American, Avant-Chatigne, Bertrand, Chalan Early, Early Marron, Grosse Precose, Horse, Japanese Mammoth, Marron Combale, Marron de Lyon, Marron Pierreville, Marron Precose-Prolifique, Marron d'Quercy (Colossal), Merle, Marron Nouzillard, Yellow Marron (16 varieties)



Marron de Lyon  
Camptonville, CA







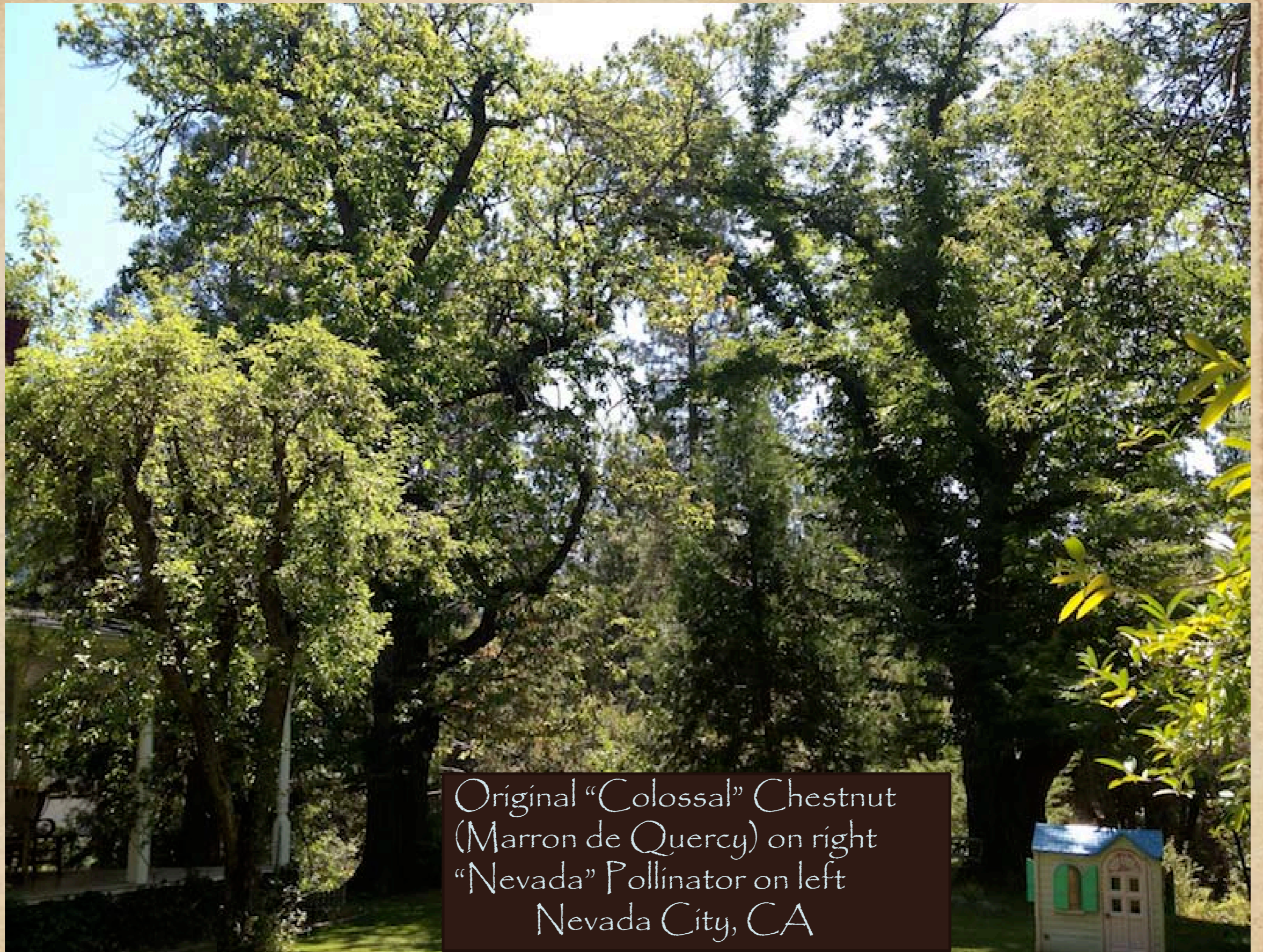
Marron de Lyon



Marron de Lyon







Original "Colossal" Chestnut  
(Marron de Quercy) on right  
"Nevada" Pollinator on left  
Nevada City, CA





Marron de Quercy  
Brownsville, CA





Text

Marron de Quercy  
Nevada City, CA





Colossal Chestnut  
(Marron de Quercy)  
Nevada City, CA





Japanese Mammoth Chestnut  
Nevada City, CA



Colossal Chestnut  
(Quercy)  
GRASS VALLEY, CA







Marron Combale Chestnut  
Nevada City, CA

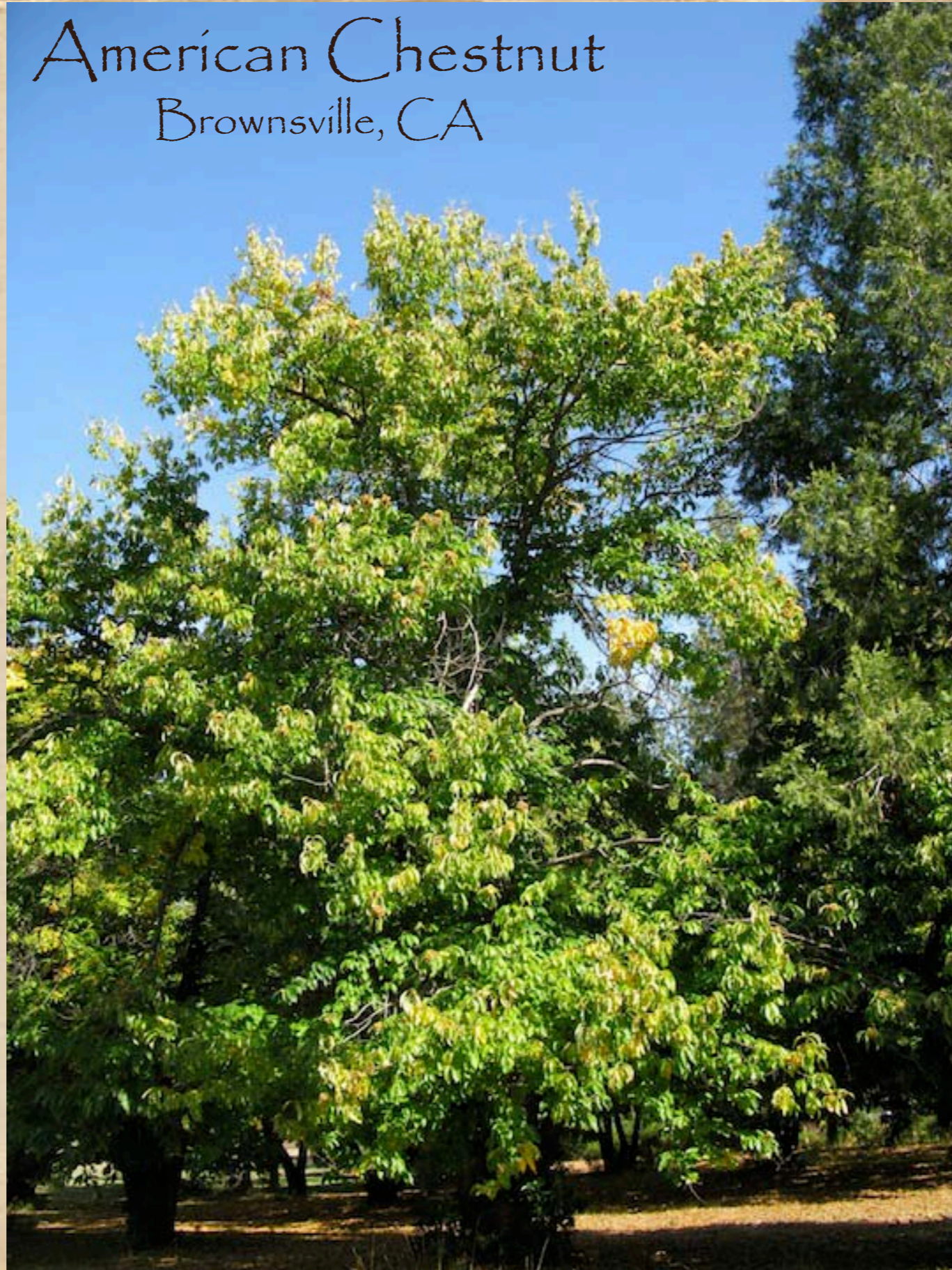




1916 Chestnut Grove  
Brownsville, CA



American Chestnut  
Brownsville, CA





American Chestnut







American Chestnut









Horse Chestnut  
Gillet Property



# Gillet Filbert Varieties

Aveline Grosse Ronde, Barcelona,  
Belgium, Brunswick, Bysance, Cluster,  
Colonel, D'Algiers, Davianna, Du Chilly  
Cobnut, Emperor, Geante des Halles,  
Grosse Blanche of England, Grosse of  
Piedmont, Kentish Cob, Montebello,  
Noche Lunghe, Nottingham, Purple  
Leaved Aveline, Red Aveline, Sicily,  
Weeping, White Aveline (24 varieties)





Barcelona Filbert  
Nevada City, CA





Barcelona Filbert  
Grass Valley, CA





Barcelona Filbert  
Nevada City, CA





Davianna Filbert  
Grass Valley, CA





Du Chilly Filbert  
Nevada City, CA





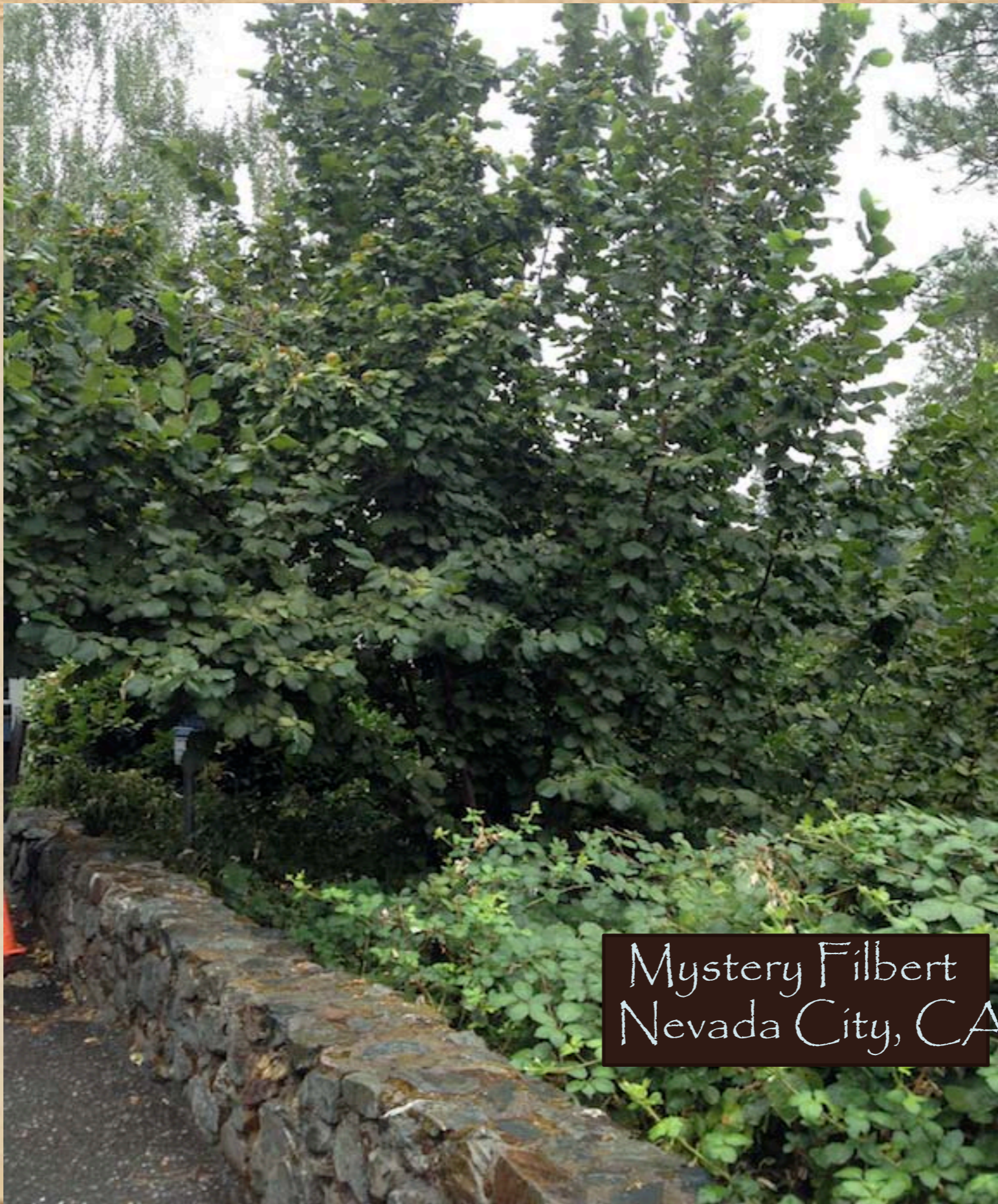
Du Chilly Filbert  
Gillet Property  
Nevada City, CA





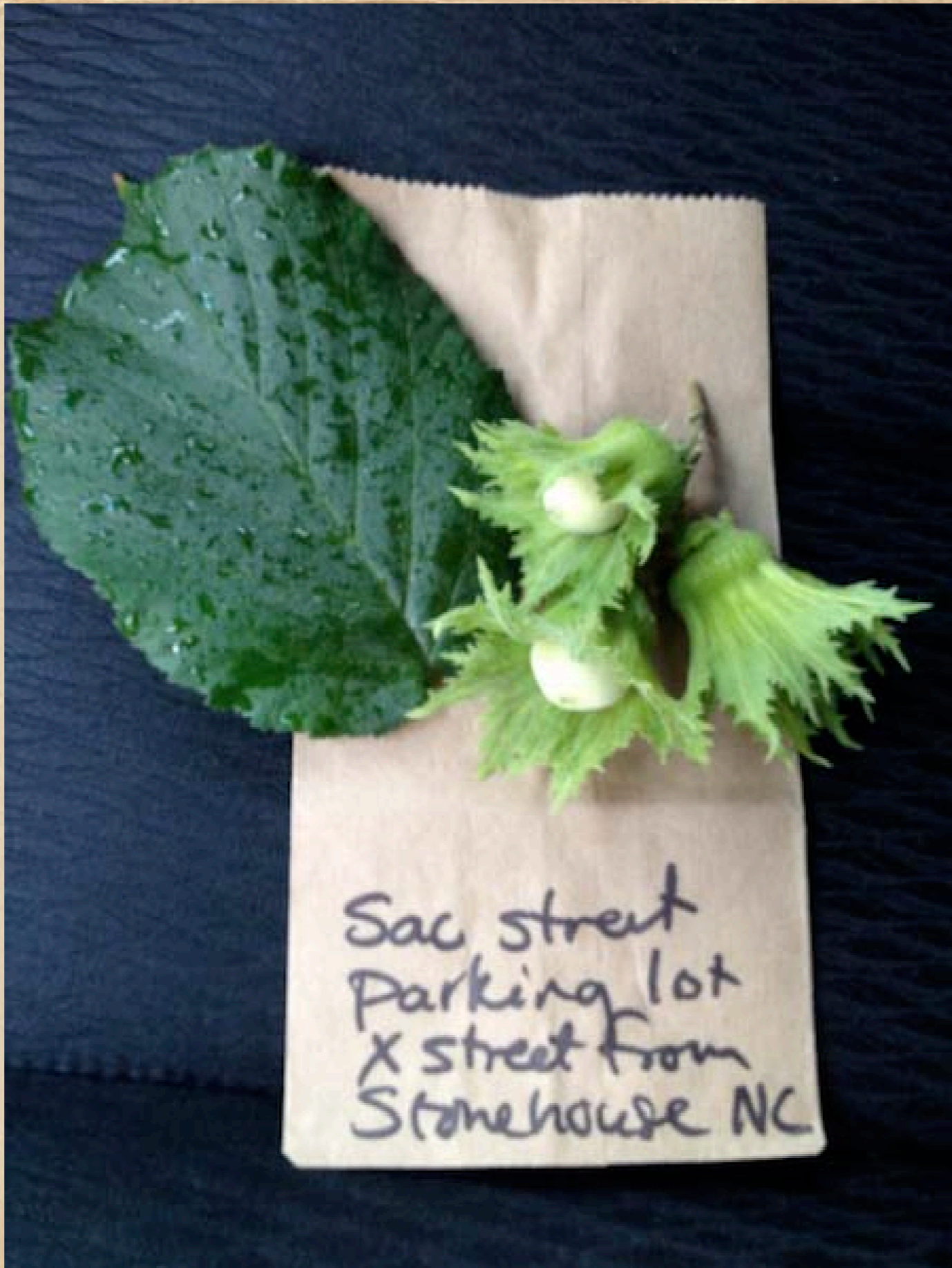
Purple Leaved Aveline Filbert  
Gillet Property





Mystery Filbert  
Nevada City, CA





Sac street  
parking lot  
X street from  
Stonehouse NC







# Gillet Almond Varieties

- Drake Seedling, Duchesse (Paper Shell), Eureka, Gross Tendre, Hard Shell, Improved Languedoc, IXL, Jordonola, Languedoc (Soft Shell), Ne Plus Ultra, Non Pariel, Princess (aka Ladies Thin Shell), Prolific, Provence, Sultana (Amande Sultane), Texas Prolific (15 varieties)





Princess Almond  
Birchville, CA





Princess Almond  
Birchville, CA





Hard Shell Almond  
Nevada City, CA





Jordonola Almond  
Wheatland, CA



Ne Plus Ultra Almond  
Colfax, CA

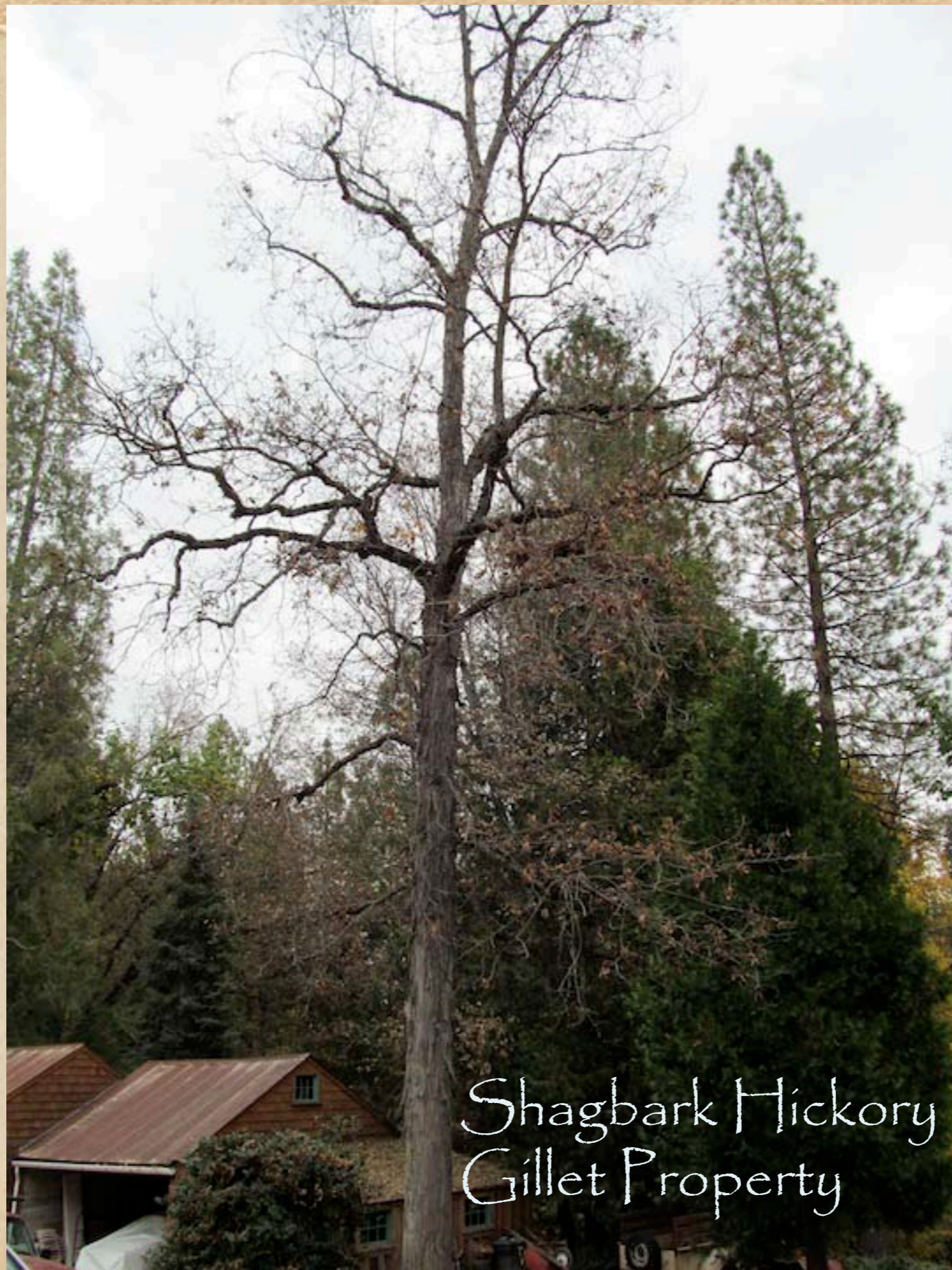






Non Pariel Almond  
Capay Valley, CA





Shagbark Hickory  
Gillet Property





Shagbark Hickory  
Gillet Property





Shagbark Hickory



# Gillet Pecan Varieties

- Louisiana
- San Saba
- Texas Paper Shell
- Texas Mammoth





Texas Mammoth Pecan



# Gillet Prunes

- Alsatian Questche, Black Damas,  
California D'Ente, Chatency D'Ente,  
Clairac Mammoth D'Ente (Improved French),  
Coe's Golden Drop, Dama de Tours,  
Dame Aubert, German, German Questche,  
Imperial D'Famuese, Italian Questche, Knight's  
Green Drying, Loire D'Ente, Mont Barbat  
D'Ente, Pedigron Rouge, Pedigron Violet, Petite  
D'Agen, Prune D'Ente (Robe de  
Sergeant), Prune D'Ente Double,  
Pyrimol D'Ente, Saint Antone, Saint  
Catherine
- (23 varieties)





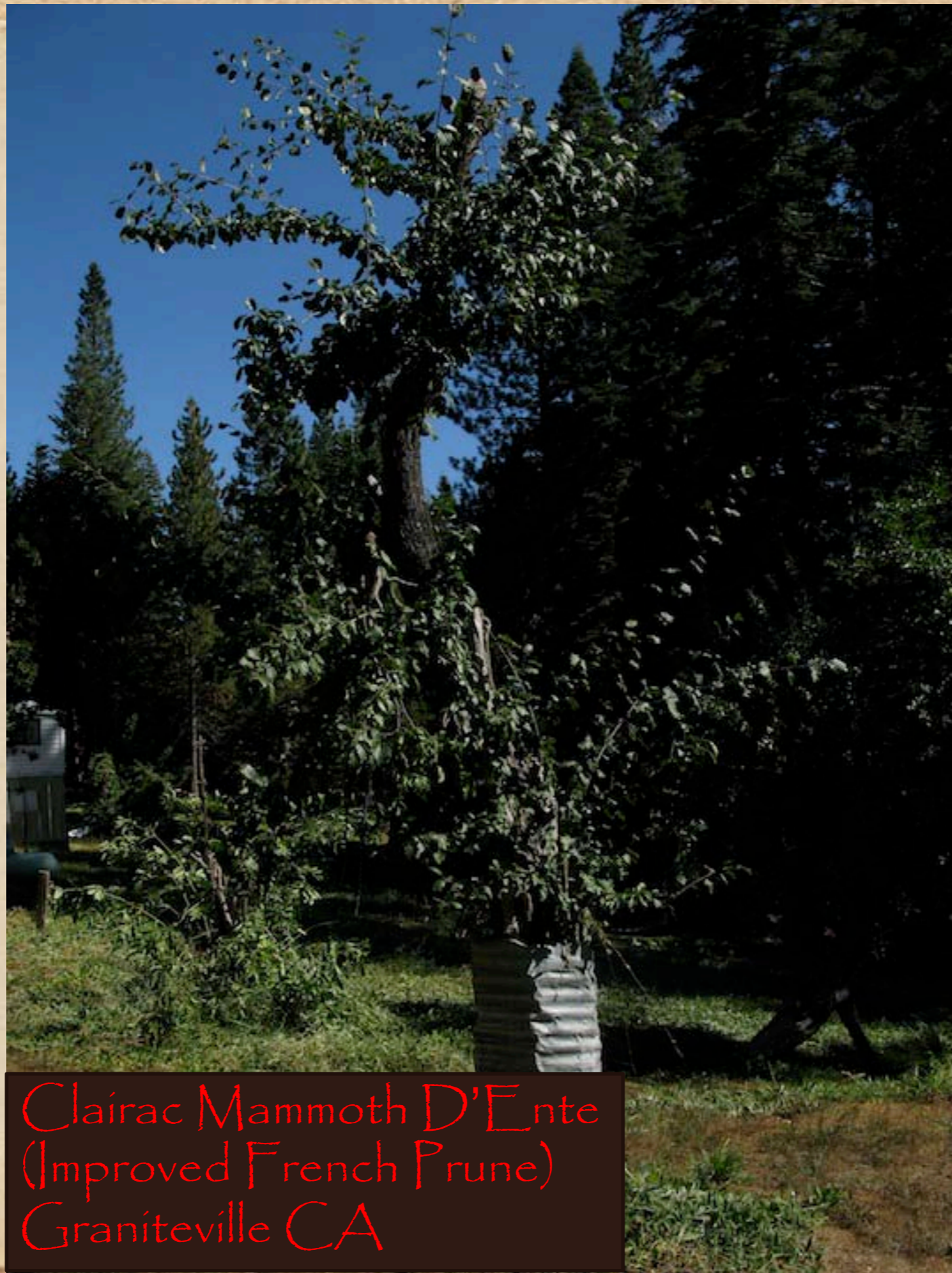
California Grown Improved French Prune  
Gillet's Clairac Mammoth D'Ente





Clairac Mammoth D'Ente  
(aka Improved French Prune  
Marysville, CA





Clairac Mammoth D'Ente  
(Improved French Prune)  
Graniteville CA





Clairac Mammoth D'Ente  
(Improved French Prune)  
Humburg, CA





Improved French Prune  
Clairac Mammoth d'Ente  
Yuba City, CA





Robe de Sargeant Prune  
(aka Prune d'Ente)  
Nevada City, CA



Brix?

Chicago  
Park  
Prune 2

rosy/yellow flesh  
most not yet ripe





#1 Hooty's Find

Yellow / light purple

Chicago Park 7/30/13

Plum

European





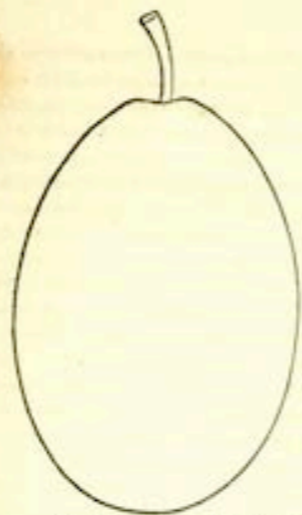


Fig. 6. Prune d'Ente,  
or Robe de Sergent.

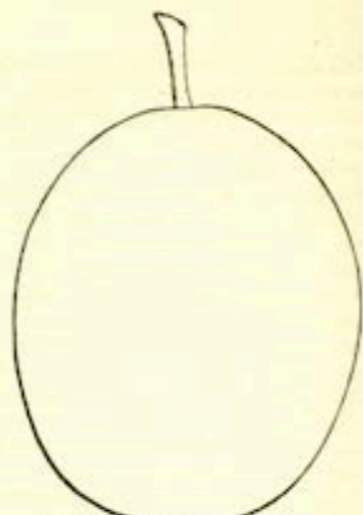


Fig. 7. Prune d'Agen  
(Double.)



Fig. 8. St. Catherine Prune. (Dried.)

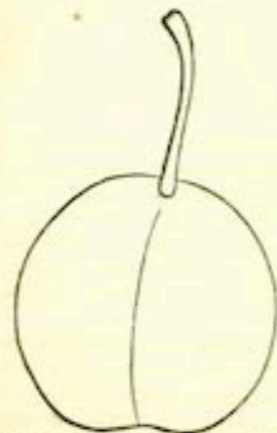


Fig. 9. St. Catherine Prune.  
(Green.)



Fig. 10. Petite Prune d'Agen.



PLATE III.

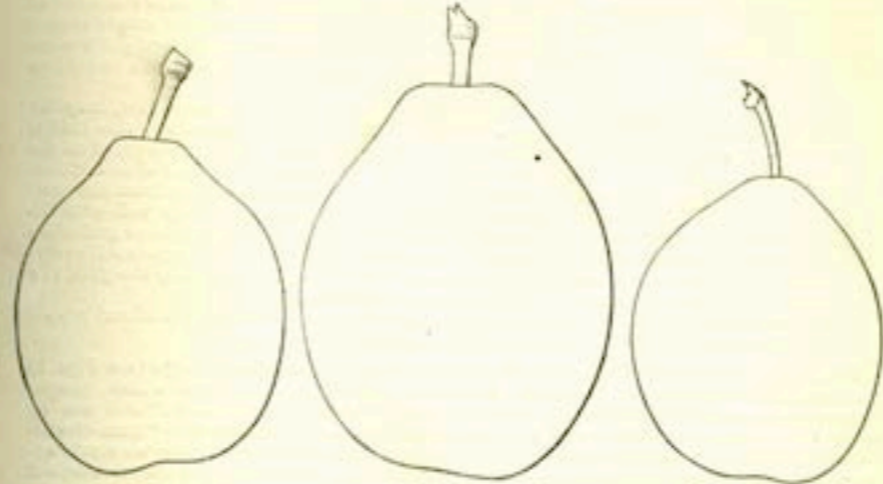


Fig. 18. Fig. 19. Fig. 20.

Figures 18, 19 and 20, Mont-Barbat D'Ente, borne on the same tree.

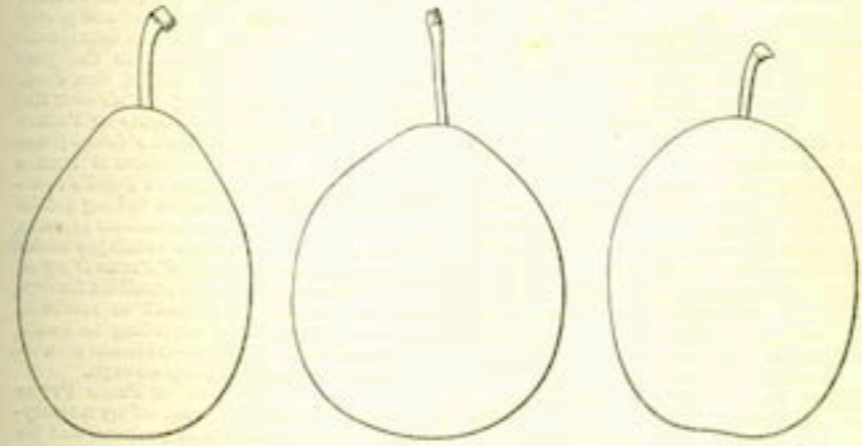


Fig. 21. LOT D'ENTE. Fig. 22. ST. CATHERINE. Fig. 23. PEYMIROL D'ENTE.



Fig. 24. MONT-BARBAT. Fig. 25. LOT. Fig. 26. CAL. Fig. 27. LOIRE. Fig. 28. ST. CATHERINE.

All the Prunes on this Plate "California Grown."

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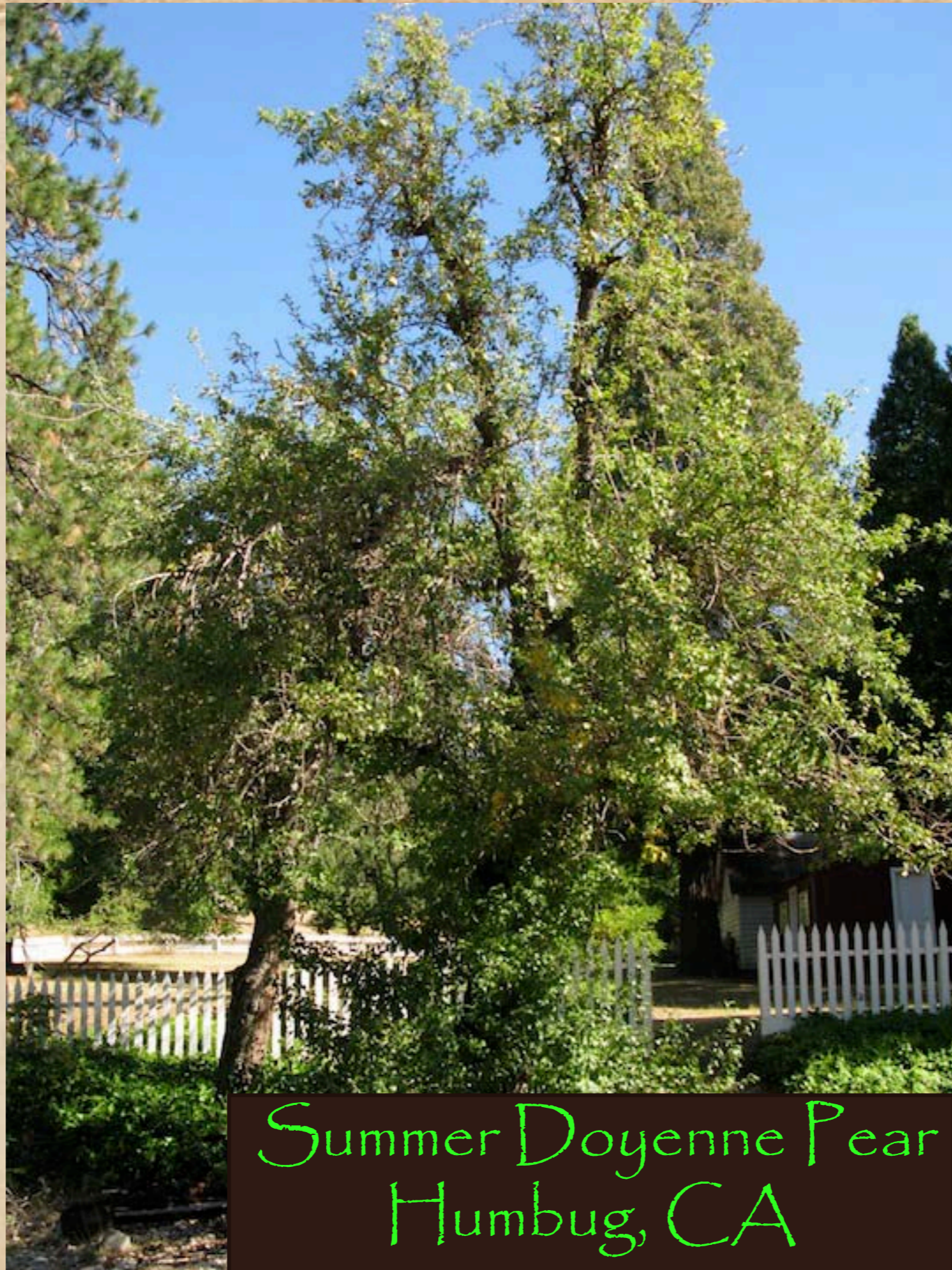
Grapes and Prunes  
Napa Valley, CA





Picking Prunes  
Oregon, Circa 1943





Summer Doyenne Pear  
Humburg, CA



# Gillet Pear Varieties

- Assumption, Bartlett, Bergamotte, Bergamotte  
Esperen, Beurre Goubault, Beurre Gris,  
Blanquet le Gros, Bon Chretien  
(aka Bartlett), Bon Clevetier, Bosc, Beurre  
Clairgeau, Catillac, Doyenne d'Alencon,  
Doyenne d'Hiver (Easter Beurre), Duchess  
d'Anjou, Martin Sec, Passe Colmar, Passe  
Crassame, Royale d'Hiver, Seckel, Sugar,  
Summer Doyenne, Winter Nellis
- (22 varieties)





Bon Chretien Pear  
(aka Bartlett)  
Chicago Park, CA





Buerre Clairgeau Pear





Martin  
Sec



Catillac Pear  
Buck's Ranch



Winter Nelis Pear  
Graniteville CA<sub>CA</sub>



Martin Sec  
Pear  
Humbug, CA



Bon Chretien Pear (aka Bartlett)  
Chicago Park, CA



Rhode Island Greening Apple  
Graniteville CA



# Gillet Apple Varieties

- Calville Blanc, Calville Rouge, Canada Reinette, Fenoville Gris, Golden Reinette, Gros Api, Igonette, Lady, Newtown Pippin, Pearmain, Petite Api (Lady's Blush), Queen of Reinettes, Red Astrachan, Reinette Franche, Reinette Gris, Rhode Island Greening, Royal Russet, Spitzenburg, Swaar, True Reinette, Van de Veer, White Rambour, Winesap, Winter Rambour, Yellow Bellflower (26 varieties)





Reinette Pippin  
Humbug, CA



# Gillet Persimmon Varieties

- Diospyros Lotus
- Diospyros Lucida
- Diospyros Virginiana





Shiro Persimmon  
Camptonville, CA





Hachiya Persimmon



# Gillet Rose Varieties

- ◆ Baronne Prevost, Belle de Baltimore, Belle Lyonnaise, Button Hole, Capitaine Frere, Contessa de Morny, Coquette de Blanches, Coquette de Lyon, Duchesse de Nemours, English Sue, Gloire de Margotlin, Gloire de Mouessauses, Hermosa, La France, La Nieve, Lewison Grove, Manetti, Moss, Queen of Perpetuals, Queen of the Whites, Richard Coeur de Lion (20 varieties)











# Gillet Plum Varieties

- Bavay Green Gage, Blue Damson, Blue Gage,  
Common Green Gage, D'Oulins Purple,  
Damas de Tours, Diaphane Green Gage,  
Double Rober, Duane's Purple, Early Yellow,  
Juane Hative, Mirabelle La Grosse,  
Monsiuer Juane, Monsiuer Rouge, Petite  
Mirabelle, Pond's Seedling, Red  
Myrobalan, Royale de Tours, Violet  
Pedrigue, White Green Gage (20 vars)





Plum Blossoms  
Goodyears Bar, CA





Damas de Tours Plum  
Chico, CA



# Gillet Mulberry Varieties

- Moretti, Morus Alba,  
Morus Lhoo, Morus Multicaules,  
Morus Nigra (Noir of Spain),  
Nangasaki (Japonica),                      Rose  
of Lombard, Russian
- (8 varieties)



# Gillet Silkworms

- French Annual, or Pyreneau
- Italian Annual, or Ancone



# Gillet Quince Varieties

- Constantinople
- Portugal



# Gillet Apricot Varieties

- Angoumois D'Oulins, Beauge  
(September), Boulbon, Duclos, Early  
Gros Rouge, Esperen, Mexico, Mille,  
Musk Early, Peach of Nancy
- (11 varieties)



# Gillet Cling Peaches

- Day's White
- Royal Gorge
- Twenty Ounce



# Gillet Nectarines

- New White
- Orange
- Purple
- Violet



# Gillet Citrus

- Blidah Mandarin Orange
- Corsica Lemon
- Large Fruited Lemon
- Portugal Orange



# Gillet Olive Varieties

- Cayon
- Oblonga
- Provence







# Gillet Strawberries

- American Vars: Captain Jack, Colonel Cheney, Curiosity, Downing, French, Greens Prolific Jucunde, Kentucky, Kimberley Pine, Margarte, Metcalf, Monarch of the West, New Domini, New York Scarlet, No. 28, Norman, S.B. Seedling, Seth Boyden, Sterling, Wilson's Albany
- German: Marshall von Moltke



# Gillet Strawberries

- English: Alcott Pineapple, Alice Nicholson, Baron Lynan de Lynich, Beauty, British Sovereign, Cockscomb, Cornish Diamond, Crystal Palace, Duke of Cornwall, Exhibition, Goliath, Princess Dagmar, The Lady, Virginia, Young Wonderful



# Gillet Strawberries

- French: Aba-el-Kader, Ananas, Aurelie, Belle Bordelaise, Belle Bretonne, Belle de Nanti, Boisselot, Boisson de Gaillon, Bonne Bouche, Bourguignonne, Carolina Supreme, Docteur Morene, King Henry, La Bicolore, La Petite Marie, Matador, Mithridates, Red Bush Alpine, Rubies
- Dutch: Gloire de Zuidwyn
- Total Strawberry Varieties: 34



# Gillet Publications

- Chestnut Culture, Chestnut Propagation, Filbert Culture, Fragariculture (Strawberries), Prune Culture, Prune Propagation, Sericulture (Mulberries and Silkworm), Walnut Culture, Walnut Propagation
- Numerous Articles in Agriculture Periodicals
- Numerous Articles in CA Dept of Horticulture



# Gillet Raspberries

- Cuthbert
- French Everbearing



# Gillet Blackberries

- Kittatiny
- Lawton
- Wilsons Early



# Currant & Gooseberries Varieties

- Currants: Cherry, Common Black, Fays Prolific, Imperial Red, Imperial White
- Gooseberries: 64 varieties!



# Other Crops from Gillet

- Acacia (5 vars), Artichoke, Bamboo, Butternut, CA Black Walnut, CA Tiger and White Lily, Dogwood, Eastern Black Walnut, Hawthorn (3 vars), Hickory Nut, Holly, Laurel, Locust (5 vars), Medlar, Pecan, Poplar, Redwood, Rhubarb, Sorbus



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- Introduced and bred hundreds of successful varieties, many still in commercial production in California
- Created the agriculture industries that make California and the Pacific Northwest famous
- Educated farmers in growing techniques
- Is the Father of West Coast perennial agriculture



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- Volunteer for fruit explorations and nursery work
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