Apple Fruiting

Spur and Semi-spur Apple Varieties – Over 1000 spur and semi-spur varieties listed. Apple trees that have fruit on spurs or semi-spurs are more dwarfing. They also require special pruning techniques.

Tip and Partial-tip Apple Varieties – Over 350 varieties listed. Fruit are borne on the tip of the branches, and are weeping and require little to no pruning.

SPUR-TYPE FRUITING APPLES FOR THE HOME ORCHARD

For home orchardists there are several advantages in growing spur-type trees. As the name indicates, the fruit is borne on spurs. Spurs are slow growing leafy shoots and have a mixed terminal bud. A mixed terminal bud will produce shoot and flowers. In apples, spurs develop on two-year old shoots from axillary buds located at the base of each leaf. Axillary buds on a spur can give rise to shoots or new spurs. A branched spur system forms after several years when new spur form on old spurs. Spur-type strains are more dwarfing than the standard stain. When spur and standard strains were compared in Washington rootstock trials, the spurs were 25% smaller than standard stains. Spur-type apples have a growing and fruiting characteristic in which lateral (axillary) buds on two year old wood gives rise to a higher portion of spurs and fewer lateral shoots than occur with standard growth habits. This gives the tree a more open canopy and compact growth habit than standard trees. Research indicates that they have approximately half the canopy volume of standard strains. Spur-type varieties generally have strong, narrow-angled lower branches and a relatively weak central leader. All of this makes them easier to prune.

Spur-type trees are usually mutations of standard fruiting trees. Because of this, growers and nurserymen are watching for these mutations to occur. Note the number of spur-type Red Delicious.

In older spur-type trees, the spurs will dominate growth and there will be little to no annual shoot growth. Therefore, spur-type trees require special pruning techniques to encourage spurs and replace old spurs.

A PARTIAL LIST OF SPUR & SEMI-SPUR APPLE CULTIVARS (1,039 Listed)

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'Ace Spur Delicious'
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^{&#}x27;Acme'

^{&#}x27;Adam'

^{&#}x27;Adams Apple'

^{&#}x27;Admiral'

^{&#}x27;Advance' ('Laxton's')

^{&#}x27;Aivania'

^{&#}x27;Akane'

^{&#}x27;Akero'

^{&#}x27;Akin'

^{&#}x27;Alamata'

^{&#}x27;Alamata Akin' semi-spur

^{&#}x27;Alexander'

'Alfriston'

'Alkmene'

'Allen's Everlasting'

'Allington Pippin'

'Alnarp 2' semi-spur

'Alpha 68

'Alpha 68B' semi-spur

'Amanashiki'

'Amanishiki'

'Amasya #2' semi-spur

'Amasya #3'

'Amasya #4'

'Amasya #5'

'Ambrosia' semi-spur 'Amelia' semi-spur 'Amsib Crab' semi-spur

'American Forestier'

'American Golden Russet'

'American Summer Pearmain'

'Amelia' semi-spur

'Amzr Gauthier'

'Ananas Berzenicki' semi-spur

'Ananas Reinette'

*'Anderson Red Delicious'

'Anis'

'Anis Aliy K-32' semi-spur 'Anisim' semi-spur

'Annie Elizabeth'

'Antonovka' semi-spur

'Antonovka Kamenichka'

'Antonovka 172670-B' semi-spur

'Api'

'Api Noir'

'Api Rose'

'Apple Babe'

'Applewaites'TM

'Apricot Apple'

'Ard Cairn Russet'

'Arkansas'

'Arkansas Black' spurs and short shoots

*'Arkansas Black, Compspur'

*'Arkansas Black, Spur'

*'Arkansas Black, Starkspur'

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