



# ASIAN PEARS

Asian pears are a beautiful addition to the home garden. The trees have showy flowers, large, attractive leaves, beautiful bark, and nice fall color. Each variety has a different mixture of subtle flavors and is a refreshing treat for the palate.

Asian pears should be ripened on the tree. They retain their crispness long after harvest when properly stored and can be easily canned. Although the rootstocks used for Asian pears are the same as those used for European pears, Asian pears are smaller growing trees.

<b>20<sup>th</sup> CENTURY (NIJISEIKI)</b>	Medium sized round, yellow, thin skinned fruit with greenish mottling. Extremely juicy, crisp flesh with a mild flavor. Ripens in late Sept and stores until Jan. <b>Partially self-fertile.</b> Susceptible to <i>Pseudomonas</i> and black spot.
<b>CHOJURO</b>	Medium to large, flattened, brown russet greenish fruit with thick skin. White, crisp flesh has apple-like flavor. Ripens September.
<b>HOSUI</b>	Med-lg, juicy, fine-grained fruit with yellow-brown russet skin. The favorite in many taste tests. Vigorous tree, one of the best for the Willamette valley.
<b>KIKUSUI</b>	Med, yellow-green fruit with crisp, white, sweet flesh. Vigorous, very productive variety. Ripens mid-August to mid-September.
<b>KOREAN GIANT</b>	Extra large, dark brown russeted, juicy fruits with excellent flavor weigh up to 1 lb. each! Keeps up to 5 months when refrigerated, with even sweeter flavor over time. Ripens Oct-Nov.
<b>NITAKA</b>	Large fruit with clear yellow skin and juicy white flesh. Ripens mid-Sept. <b>Not a good pollinator.</b>
<b>SHINSEIKI</b>	Medium-large, round, yellow fruit has a medium-thick skin with crisp, creamy white flesh with a mild, sweet flavor. Ripens in late August and keeps well. Highly resistant to <i>Pseudomonas</i> .
<b>YAKUMO</b>	Glossy, pale yellow fruit with very juicy, sweet, crisp flesh. Ripens in August, keeps for months in cold storage.

## Bloom order:

EARLY	MID	LATE
Hosui	20 <sup>th</sup> Century	Korean Giant
Nitaka	Chojuro	Kosui
Raja	Shinseiho	Shinko
Seuri	Shinseiki	Shin Li

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