

# CHERRY VARIETIES FOR 2026

## SWEET CHERRIES

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| <b>BING</b>          | Large, heart-shaped, freestone fruits with dark red, brown-purple skin. The flesh is purple, firm and meaty. All purpose. Ripens in early July.                                                          |
| <b>BLACK GOLD</b>    | <b>Self-fertile.</b> Late bloomer, good pollinizer for other late varieties. Deep red, firm fruit. Crack and canker resistant. Ripens early July.                                                        |
| <b>EARLY BURLAT</b>  | As the name implies, this firm red cherry ripens a week earlier than Bing, and is a good pollen provider for other early bloomers. Resists crack and canker.                                             |
| <b>GLACIER</b>       | <b>Self-fertile.</b> Large, firm, dark red fruit with excellent flavor. Crack resistant variety developed at Washington State. Ripens mid-June, just before Bing.                                        |
| <b>KRISTIN</b>       | Large, heart-shaped, dark red fruits with juicy, sweet flesh and rich flavor. Good pollinizer for other varieties. Ripens mid-June.                                                                      |
| <b>LAPINS</b>        | <b>Self-fertile.</b> Very large, dark purple fruits are richly flavored and very sweet. Heavy producer. Ripens mid-late July.                                                                            |
| <b>RAINIER</b>       | Large yellow fruit with red blush. Firm, tasty, yellow flesh. Outstanding dessert quality, and excellent for canning. Vigorous, very productive. Ripens June-July.                                       |
| <b>ROYAL ANN</b>     | Large yellow fruit with rose blush. Firm, juicy and sweet flesh. Excellent all purpose. Used commercially for maraschino cherries. Rapid growing, upright tree is a heavy bearer. Ripens late June-July. |
| <b>ROYAL RAINIER</b> | Large yellow fruit with more blush and a week earlier ripening than Rainier. Firm, tasty, clear yellow flesh. Vigorous, very productive. Ripens June-July.                                               |
| <b>SAM</b>           | Med-large, jet black fruit with flavorful sweet flesh. Excellent for fresh eating. Blooms late, so may escape late frosts. Vigorous, spreading tree. Ripens in June.                                     |
| <b>STELLA</b>        | <b>Self-fertile.</b> Large, heart-shaped, dark red fruits with juicy, sweet flesh and rich flavor. Good pollinizer for other varieties. Ripens mid-June.                                                 |
| <b>SWEETHEART</b>    | <b>Self-fertile.</b> Large, bright red fruit with fine flavor. Ripens in July.                                                                                                                           |
| <b>TEHRANIVEE</b>    | <b>Self-fertile.</b> Large, firm textured, mahogany fruit with red-black juice and excellent flavor. Ripens late July.                                                                                   |
| <b>VAN</b>           | Very large reddish black fruit. Firm, sweet flesh with delicious flavor. Great all-purpose. Heavy annual bearer. Ripens mid-June to early July.                                                          |
| <b>VANDALAY</b>      | <b>Self-fertile.</b> Big, black fruit with great flavor, disease and crack resistant. Good for pollinizing others.                                                                                       |

## BUSH CHERRIES

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| <b>CARMINE JEWEL</b>   | <b>Self-fertile.</b> Naturally dwarf (6-12'), early season, high yield variety produces dark red fruits with tiny pits. Can be eaten fresh late into the season.                           |
| <b>CRIMSON PASSION</b> | <b>Self-fertile.</b> Naturally dwarf at 6-10' and extremely cold tolerant, reputedly one of the best bush cherries for fresh eating, also good for pies and preserves.                     |
| <b>JULIET</b>          | <b>Self-fertile.</b> Dark red fruit with a complex sweet-tart flavor balance. Natural dwarf at 8' x 8', ideal for small urban lots or larger containers.                                   |
| <b>ROMEO</b>           | <b>Self-fertile.</b> Attractive, naturally dwarf tree at 8' x 8'. Large, crimson fruit with nice sweet-tart balance. Good fresh, for cooking and canning too.                              |
| <b>EVANS</b>           | <b>Self-fertile.</b> Extremely hardy, late variety produces bright red, med-sized, semi-sweet fruit. Highly productive!                                                                    |
| <b>MONT-MORENCY</b>    | <b>Self-fertile.</b> Known as the standard for pie cherries. Medium to large bright red fruit with yellow flesh and rich, tart, tangy flavor. Clear juice. Grows to 15'. Ripens late June. |
| <b>MORELLO</b>         | <b>Self-fertile</b> pie cherry with dark red to black fruit. Semi-firm flesh is tart and flavorful, perfect for pies, preserves, and liqueurs. Ripens in August.                           |
| <b>NORTH STAR</b>      | <b>Self-fertile,</b> with large fruit and thin, light red skin. Natural genetic dwarf grows 6-12' tall. Fruit will hold on tree up to two weeks after ripening. Ripens early July.         |

