Heritage Irish Apple Tree Catalogue

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Introduction

Over sixty different apple varieties are featured in this catalogue. All these varieties have been growing in Ireland for many years and have adapted themselves to the climate and growing conditions here – conditions very different from those found in France and the south of England where most trees available from commercial nurseries are bred and grown. The trees listed in this catalogue have been grown organically at the Irish Seed Savers orchards and nurseries in East Clare.

By buying, planting and propagating these trees you are making a valuable contribution to Ireland’s biodiversity and helping to maintain a living record of our agricultural heritage. And there’s the bonus of eating the best-tasting fruit available in the country with the lowest ‘food mile’ rating – just the few yards from the garden to the kitchen.

The varieties in this catalogue have traditionally been grown in gardens and orchards around Ireland. They became popular for their good taste and reliability of crop and because they grew healthily. Therefore these varieties have proven themselves down through the years and are considered suitable to our temperate maritime conditions. The trees listed in this catalogue have been grown organically at the Irish Seed Savers Association nursery in East Clare.

I am delighted with the trees I got from Irish Seed Savers – they were planted 6 months ago and are growing fine and fast – no failures or sign of disease. I haven’t spent one cent on them since planting. I followed the instructions that came with the trees and I’m delighted with them. An orchard doesn’t take up much space and it adds value to the house'.

Brendan Hayes, Crookestown, Co. Cork.

I bought 6 apple trees in 2004 & another 3 in 2005 and they’ve grown well. I have a good vegetable garden & quite a bit of soft fruit so the orchard completed the picture. I got great advice from a young man at Seed Savers about which varieties to buy & how to care for them. One of the trees I bought was the Irish Molly and soon after I met the grandson of the Cork woman who bred the tree. I’ve had great chats with a lot of people about these native trees - they generate a lot of interest.

Michael Connelly, Glaslough, Monaghan
**Apple Rootstocks**

**M9 – Dwarfing**

These trees will grow up to 2.2 meters (6-8 ft) and will need a good support for all their lives. It’s the most widely used rootstock in commercial orchards because of its good yield and compact size. Suitable for very sheltered locations with good and fertile soils; fruiting in 2-3 years. It is crucial that the ground under the tree is kept weed and grass free on a 2 feet radius around the trunk. Plant 1.5 to 2 meters apart. Not suitable for exposed sites. Limited numbers available on limited varieties so please check availability before ordering.

**M26 - SEMI DWARFING**

These trees will grow to about 9ft. They should be planted about 9ft apart and permanently staked. Fruitting in 2-3 years.

**MM106 – HALF HARDY STANDARD**

These trees will grow to 15ft. They should be planted about 12ft apart and staked for a couple of years. Fruitting in 4-5 years.
Appletown Wonder- potted & barerooted one year olds on MM106 & M9
Very large impressive eating apple of really good flavour. Can reach giant sizes – some as big as a melon. Sweetens in storage – lasting until November.
Two students of Dromcollogher College discovered the variety growing at Appletown, Co. Limerick in the 1990s

April Queen- potted & barerooted one year olds on MM106 & M9
Very large, conical, ribbed fruit. Golden/yellow skin with an orange/crimson blush on the sunny side. It is very juicy (good for apple sauce) and produces beautiful blossom in spring. Generally tolerant of a variety of soil types and dampness conditions, showing vigorous growth, but a little slower to fruit.

Ard Cairn Russet- potted two year olds on MM111 & M26/(Collection only), barerooted one year olds on MM106 & M9
Golden russetted fruit, ripe in September. Unique flavour and texture, sometimes compared to a banana. Very popular with gardeners looking for a different taste to add to their collection.
Found in a garden in the south of Ireland in 1890 by Baylor Hartland of Ard Cairn nursery, Co. Cork. Received an RHS Award of Merit in 1910.

Ballinora Pippin -potted two year olds on M26 (Collection only), , potted one year olds on MM106 & M9/ bareroot one year olds on MM106
Juicy and crunchy with good flavour. Reliable cropper with good disease resistance. Ripens in storage and may keep until January.
Discovered in 1892 on a farm in Co. Cork. Considered a sport of Blenheim Orange.
Received an RHS Award of Merit in 1898.

Ballyfatten -potted two year olds on M26 (Collection only), potted one year olds on MM106 & M9/ barerooted on M9
Firm dry sweet flesh. Fruit large conical and flattish. Good cropper. Excellent cooking apple particularly for baking, it cooks to a creamy white purée. Good to eat in late September. Recorded in 1802.

Ballyvaughan seedling-potted two year olds on MM106 & M26 (Collection only), / barerooted one year olds on MM106 & M9
Large Irregular shaped fruit with yellow green skin flushed red. Sharp eater, with long after taste. Firm and crisp, it cooks well. Heavy cropper and good wind resistance. One of the first trees in the native Irish Apple collection, found in Ballyvaughan near the old workhouse.

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Beauty of Ballintaylor- potted one year olds on MM106 & M9/ barerooted on M9
Good cropping tree, golden pink with a red blush.

Beauty of Bath- potted two year olds on MM106 & M26 (Collection only), barerooted on MM106 & M9
Fruits are one of the first to ripen in August. Juicy, sweet and a tangy, with good flavour. Its soft flesh has a distinctive pink staining.
Originated in the 19th century at Bath, Somerset, England. It was once the most important early commercial apple in the U.K. It was, and still is, a popular and well proven variety in Ireland.

Belvedere House- two year old potted M26 (Collection Only)
A dark purple fruit which follow the equally striking purple blossoms in Spring. This type of tree is a 'cousin' of the eating apple that has developed upon the pink colour that is evident in some eating apple flowers. Makes an apple tart that looks like it is made from rhubarb!
**Blenheim Orange** (triploid)- **one year bareroot on MM106**
An 18th century English dual-purpose apple which remains very popular as a garden variety.

**Bloody Butcher** (triploid)- **two year old potted on MM106 & M26 (Collection Only), one year old barerooted on MM106 & M26**
Large round fruit with pale yellow skin flushed maroon. Almost fully covered with dark crimson and a few russet veins. Flesh is white and sweet, moderately juicy and acid. Needs only a little sugar when cooking. Spreading habit.

**Bramley's seedling** (triploid)- **one year old barerooted on MM106**
Bramley's Seedling is the definitive English cooking apple. It produces heavy crops of large apples with a sharp acidic flavour, which cook down to a smooth puree.

**Brown Crofton**- **one year old potted on MM106 & M9, bareroot on MM106 & M9**

**Buttermilk Russet**- **one year old potted on MM106**
Crissp eating apple with an attractive and distinctive russet effect – like a ‘net’ or ‘lace’ wrapped around the fruit. Traditionally grown in counties Armagh, Fermanagh, Monaghan and Longford.

**Cabbage Stalk**- **one year old potted on MM106 & M9**

**Cavan Rose**- **one year old potted on MM106 & M9, one year old barerooted on MM106 & M9**
A very useful apple – decorative, good for tarts, requiring little sugar, and sweetens in a sunny summer to a tasty eating apple. Stores until November.

**Cavan Strawberry**- **one year old potted on MM106, one year old barerooted on MM106**
Large heart shaped conical apple. Green skin with dark red patches and stripes. russeted.

**Cavan Sugarcane**- **two year olds potted on MM106 & M26 (Collection Only), one year old barerooted on MM106 & M9**
Crisp sweet fruit with yellow golden skin. Bear well and naturally forms goblet shape making picking easier.

**Cavan Wine**- **one year old potted on MM106 & M9, one year old barerooted on M9**
Crisp sweet fruit with yellow golden skin. Bear well and naturally forms goblet shape making picking easier.

**Clearheart**- **two year old potted on M26 (Collection Only), one year old barerooted on M9**
Medium round shaped fruit with pale yellow skin flushed with carmine and russet dots. Flesh white and firm it is juicy with pronounced tang. Fast growing tree that naturally spreads.

**Councillor**- **two year old potted on MM106 & M26, barerooted on MM106 & M9**
An attractive apple which is used for cooking in early September, before sweetening to become tasty and aromatic as an eating apple. A seedling originally planted by Councillor JJ Walsh in Phibsborough, Dublin circa 1930.

**Dick Davies**- **potted one year old on MM106, barerooted one year old on MM106**
Popular early eating apple. Soft white flesh with tangy flavour. Very productive and reliable tree. Easy to maintain and prune. Originally grown by Mrs. Rawley on her farm in Co. Cork in the early 1900s.
Dockney-one year old potted on MM106 & M9, barerooted on MM106 & M9
Fruit are medium round, greenish yellow flushed with brown red hues. Some russetting visible. Flesh is firm greenish white moderately juicy with a pronounced tang. Needs to be picked and used early, as it becomes mealy if left on the tree. Habit is spreading, so tree stays small.

Ecklinville Seedling-one year old potted on MM106 & M9, barerooted on MM106 & M9
Delicious baking apple, fruiting in September. It’s medium, flattened, round and uneven. The skin is greenish-yellow, sometimes with a red flush and strewn with russet dots. The flesh is white, firm and juicy. The tree is strong, upright and has a spreading habit. This variety was raised in 1820 by a gardener named Logan and was much-used for commercial purposes but its popularity waned as it does not keep very well.

Eight Square(aka Kill Apple)-two year old on MM106 (Collection Only), one year old on MM106 & M9, barerooted on MM106 & M9
Tasty bite-sized eating apple, a children’s favourite. Fruit have a very distinctive octagon shape. Tree is very productive and healthy with good disease resistance. Easy to prune and maintain. Traditionally grown in Co. Monaghan.

Farrell-one year old on MM106 & M9, barerooted on MM106 & M9
Attractive early eating apple with a dry flavour.
Tip-bearing tree is very healthy with good disease resistance.
Requires very little pruning: Initially shape the tree with structure starting higher than normal, to allow for the weeping and spreading effect later.
Traditionally grown in Co. Kilkenny and Waterford.

Finnerty-one year old potted on MM106 & M9, one year old barerooted on MM106 & M9
Tangy and juicy apple. Useful both for baking and as an eater for those who love a sharp taste. Good juicer. This variety was collected by ISSA in the 1990s. Its true identity is still under research.

Finola Lee-one year old potted on MM106 & M9, one year old barerooted on MM106 & M9
Great for tarts and baking. Mellows to an eating apple if it gets good sun. A very productive and dependable tree. Easy to maintain and prune. May require fruit thinning in order to achieve larger sized fruit. Grown on a small farm in Keale, Kilfinnane, Co. Limerick in the 1990s. Given the name of the woman, Finola Lee, who discovered the variety.

Franks Seedling-potted one year old on MM106 & M9
Large attractive fruit primarily used for cooking. Looks great in the fruit-bowl. Sweetens to good eating flavour after some time in storage. May keep until January. A seedling originally planted by Frank Lamb (Father of Dr. Keith Lamb) in Clara, Co. Offaly.

George-one year old potted on M9
Attractive tasty eating apple. George is large, juicy and crunchy. A healthy and productive tree. Easy to prune and maintain. Collected by ISSA in the 1990s. Its true identity and origins are still under research.

Gibbons Russet-two year old potted on MM106 & M26 (Collection Only), barerooted on MM106 & M9
A tasty, juicy and crunchy apple. Medium sized with russet patches. The tree shapes nicely and is easy to prune. Healthy and a reliable cropper. Popular in Kilkenny since the early 1800’s and later in Cork, Dublin and Meath.

Gibby’s Apple -two year old potted on MM106 (Collection Only), one year old potted on MM106, barerooted on MM106
A tangy crisp bite. Often a heavy cropper of medium sized fruit suitable for fresh eating or for juicing. Grown in Armagh and Antrim in the early 20th century.

Gladstone-one year old potted on MM106 & M9, barerooted on M9
One of the earliest apples to ripen. Tasty and popular flavour. Best eaten fresh from the tree. An old English summer apple, dating back to the 1780s.
Glenstal Cooker - two year old potted on M26 (Collection Only), one year old potted on MM106 & M9, barerooted on MM106
Very large and useful cooking apple. Bears reliably with good disease resistance. Grown in the orchards of Glenstal Abbey, Murroe, Co. Limerick. This variety made a great contribution towards the self-sufficient food production of the abbey and school.

Golden Royal (aka Honeycombe) - two year old potted on MM106 & M26 (Collection Only), barerooted on MM106 & M9
Juicy apple best eaten freshly picked from the tree. Large yellow fruit, sometimes with beautiful crimson fleck. Grown on family farms in Co. Cavan and Co. Leitrim. A good cropping tree, easy to shape and with good disease resistance.

Golden Spire - one year old barerooted on MM106 & M9
A large, bright yellow apple with deep cream flesh. It’s sharp and juicy with an intense cider flavour. It cooks to a well-flavoured, slightly brisk, yellow purée. It makes a fantastic display of flowers followed by a good crop on pendulous, golden, oblong fruit.

Greasy Pippin - two year old potted on MM106 & M26 (Collection Only), one year old barerooted on MM106 & M9
Lovely second early dessert variety; has creamy white flesh which is firm, crisp, fairly juicy, sweet and well-flavoured. The fruit is medium-sized, round, short and conical. It has a pale yellow skin with russet dots and slight russet veining usually confined to one side of the fruit. When ripe the skin feels greasy.

Green Chisel - two year old potted on MM106 & M26 (Collection Only), one year old barerooted on MM106 & M9
Large green crunchy apple. White juicy flesh. Very healthy and vigorous tree. Fruit are very clean and scab resistant. An old apple variety well known in North West Tyrone and Donegal.

Honeyball - two year old potted on MM106 & M26 (Collection Only), one year old barerooted on MM106
Very large fruit with great colour. A model fruit-bowl apple. A mild, dry flavoured apple. Ideal for drying to make apple-rings. Very productive and healthy tree. Grows into a nice shape, easy to prune and maintain.
Frequently grown in the commercial orchards of Co. Kilkenny in the early 20th century.

Irish Molly - two year old potted on M26 (Collection Only), one year old potted on MM106, barerooted on MM106 & M9
Beautiful and distinctive flavour. Very tasty eating apple – favourite of many. Achieves best flavour in a sunny location. Tree shapes well and is easy to prune. Originally grown by Mrs. Rawley on her farm in Co. Cork in the early 1900s

Irish Peach - two year old potted on MM106 & M26 (Collection Only), one year old barerooted on MM106 & M9
The earliest to ripen of the Irish varieties. A juicy and tangy bite. Tip-bearing tree often chosen for its ornamental appeal when flowering. Brightly coloured fruit are nicely displayed in a weeping fashion. Minimum pruning required – initially shape the tree with structure starting higher than normal, to allow for the weeping and spreading effect later. Thought to have originated in Co. Sligo as part of the ‘Crofton' collection.

Keegan's Crab - two year old potted on MM106 & M9 (Collection Only), barerooted on MM106 & M9
A juicy and crisp apple. A favourite of those who seek a crunchy bite. Large green fruit with net-russetting. Originated in Loughgall, Co. Armagh. It was very common in the area in the mid 20th century when it was grown commercially, and was even exported to Scotland.

Kemp (aka May Bloom) - two year old potted on M26 (Collection Only), one year old potted on MM106 & M9, barerooted one year old on MM106 & M9
Very popular flavour, sweet eating apple. Medium sized with attractive colouring. Performs best in a good sunny location. Fruit are scab resistant. Reliable cropping tree. First popular in Derry in the early 1800s. Later became a significant commercial crop in the Armagh area.
Kerry Pippin—one year old potted on MM106 & M9, one year old barerooted on M9
Loved by children - a small apple with a delicious taste. Flesh is slightly ‘peach’ coloured. Healthy tree, easy to shape. Widely grown in Ireland since the 1800s, particularly in walled gardens and estates.

Kilkenny Pearmain—one year old potted on M9
A medium-sized green fruit with a red flush. It has sweet, crisp flesh and a mild flavour. The fruit holds well on the tree. A very attractive variety.

Kiltoghert Blossom—one year old barerooted on M9
A large russet apple with scarring on one side. The flesh is firm, crisp, refreshing and sweet. It bears heavy crops well into November

Lady’s Finger of Offaly—two year old potted on MM106 (Collection Only), one year old potted on MM106 & M9, one year old barerooted on MM106 & M9
Large and colourful with a mild flavour. An attractive apple, looks well on the tree. Good for juicing. ‘Lady’s Finger’ is a name commonly applied to any long shaped apple. Other varieties in the British Isles share this name. Traditional to Offaly & Monaghan.

Lady Sudley—one year old potted on MM106
Large juicy early season apple. Unusually for an early apple, the fruit can store for over a week in the fridge. A well-known and attractive English apple from the late Victorian era. Once grown commercially. Proven to do well in the Irish climate.

Leitrim Red—one year old potted on MM106 & M9, one year old barerooted on MM106 & M9
A medium-sized early cooker with flat, round, bright red fruit. The flesh is white, soft, sweet and juicy, and has a strong fruity flavour. Needs to be picked in August and used immediately.

Lough Key Crab—two year old on MM106 & M9 (Collection Only), one year old barerooted on MM106
A purple-leaved crab with a beautiful bright pink blossom followed by heart-shaped purple fruits. The flesh is pink and makes an excellent red jam or jelly. This is a crab apple.

Lough Tree of Wexford—two year old on MM106 & M26 (Collection Only), barerooted on MM106 & M9
A juicy crisp bite. Red fruits look very decorative against the green foliage in Autumn. First found growing in an orchard near a small ‘lough’ in Co. Wexford. Proven to be a very reliable and heavy cropping tree with good disease resistance.

Martins Seedling—one year old potted on M9, barerooted on M9
Bearing round, flattened, uneven and angular fruit. The skin is yellow with russet dots. It has white, juicy, sweetish, soft flesh. It can be picked under-ripe and stored and eaten as it sweetens.

Miller’s Seedling—one year old potted on MM106 & M9, one year old barerooted on MM2106
A small early-season apple. Considered to have an excellent taste. Crops heavily, partially self-fertile. Popular English variety in late Victorian times.

Minogue White Mossey—one year old barerooted on MM106
A delicious fresh and juicy apple. Very popular winner of taste tests. Heavy cropping tree. Easy to spread and shape. Good general disease resistance. A variety still under research at ISSA. But much in demand when visitors taste it fresh from the tree.

Mrs Perry— one year old potted on MM106 & M9, one year old barerooted on MM106
This variety found in Glenties, Co. Donegal, bears a large, round, conical and slightly irregular fruit. The skin is pale greenish/yellow ripening to gold and is often flushed with red on the side that catches the sun. It is scattered with red stripes and slight russet veining and dots. The flesh is creamy white, crisp and extremely juicy with a firm texture. It has a moderately sweet, sub-acid flavour and a very delicate scent. It is an abundant cropper but best used immediately after picking. It is very hardy and holds on the tree from September to early November. The ultimate multi-purpose apple.
Norfolk Royal—one year old potted on MM106 & M9, one year old barerooted on MM106 & M9
A sweet old-fashioned apple, with a delicate melon flavour - very likeable
A chance seedling found in Norfolk, England in about 1908. Grows well in the Irish climate.

Peach Melba—two year old potted on M26 (Collection Only), one year old potted on MM106 & M9, one year old barerooted on MM106 & M9
Large fragrant eating apple with ‘peach’ coloured flesh. In early summer it has an attractive downy peach-like surface which may also have contributed to its name. A vigorous and healthy tree with good disease resistance. Originally from Kilkenny circa 1930.

Pollock—two year old potted on MM106 & M26
Produces a mass of white flowers in Springtime followed by clusters of small sweet red fruit resembling rose hips.
Its true identity is yet to be established. It seems to be similar to the popular ornamental variety ‘John Downie’.

Rawley’s Seedling—one year old potted on MM106 & M9, one year old barerooted on MM106 & M9
Delicious eaten fresh from the tree. Susceptible to scab, but its excellent flavour ensures its popularity.
Requires a good site and sunny location for best taste and health.
Originally grown by Mrs. Rawley on her farm in Co. Cork in the early 1900s.

Red Brandy—one year old potted on MM106 & M9, one year old barerooted on MM106 & M9
Tasty bite-sized treat. Popular flavour.
Requires good sun for best flavour. Tree is easy to prune and maintain. Fruit are scab resistant.
Traditionally grown in orchards of Co. Kilkenny.

Reid’s Seedling—one year old potted on M9, one year old barerooted on M9
Large and juicy eating apple. An attractive and tasty addition to any fruit-bowl.
Discovered by a Mr. Reid in Rachill, Co. Armagh circa 1885.

Richardson—one year old potted on MM106 & M9, one year old barerooted on M9
Delicious tasting apple – a favourite of many. Juicy and crunchy.
Requires a sunny location for sweetest and tastiest results.
Discovered in Kilkenny at the turn of the 20th century.

Ross Nonpareil—one year old potted on MM106 & M9, one year old barerooted on M9
A tasty winter treat. The apples hang on the tree after the leaves have fallen off. Very decorative.
Silver russet against deep red blush makes for a great fruit-bowl apple in frosty winter months.
Dating from 1786, this apple became popular throughout Ireland and overseas.

Scarlet Crofton—one year old potted on M9, one year old barerooted on MM106 & M9
An attractive russetted apple with a beautiful scarlet blush. Fresh aromatic flavour.
Traditional to Ireland since at least the early 1600s, this variety may have originated in England. Part of the ‘Crofton’ collection of apples associated with Co. Sligo.

Sheep’s Snout—two year old potted on M26 (Collection Only) one year old potted on MM106
This type comprising more than one variety therefore colour and size can change from county to county. The fruit from our variety is medium, yellow and almost entirely covered in red stripes, ribbed and crowned like a sheep’s nose, but this varies to a bright green colour with fruits and shape of inverted pears. It’s leaves are dark green and oblong, the burr knots are obvious. It’s nice as a sharp eater and cooks to a pleasant brisk purée. It’s a prolific cropper and very hardy.

Sovereign—two year old potted on M26 (Collection Only) one year old potted on MM106 & M9, one year old barerooted on M9
Fruit is round to conical, with pale greenish yellow skin with some carmine stripes.

Strippy—one year old potted on MM106 & M9, one year old barerooted on MM106 & M9
Attractive red coloured fruit make a very striking ornamental addition to the garden in early autumn.
Tangy and juicy taste – with distinctive pink-tinged flesh.
Summer John—two year old potted on MM106 (Collection Only), one year old potted on MM106 & M9, one year old barerooted on MM106 & M9
Crunchy and juicy apple of good flavour. Flat and russetted with white flesh. Requires a sunny location for best flavour. Resistant to scab. Traditional to Co. Fermanagh

Thompson’s Apple—one year old potted on MM106 & M9, one year old barerooted on MM106 & M9
Beautiful coloured apple. Juicy and crunchy. Looks great in a fruit basket. Requires a sunny location for best colour and flavour. Traditional in counties Monaghan and Tyrone since the 1800s.

Valentine—one year old potted on MM106 & M9, one year old barerooted on MM106 & M9
A medium-sized fruit that is flattened and round. The skin is creamy yellow with a dull pinkish-red flush and stripes overlaid with russet veins. The flesh is white, crisp, sweet and moderately juicy. The mature trees are umbrella-shaped.

White Crofton—two year old potted on M26 (Collection Only) one year old potted on M9
Juicy crisp bite of good flavour. Makes a well-shaped tree – easy to prune and attractive in appearance. Popular throughout Ireland since the 1830s. Part of the ‘Crofton’ collection associated with Co. Sligo.

White Moss—two year old potted on MM106 (Collection Only), one year old potted on MM106, one year old barerooted on MM106
The fruit is medium-sized, flattened and slightly uneven. The skin is yellow-green with a few scattered russet dots around the eye. Excellent cooker.

White Russet—one year old potted on MM106, one year old barerooted on MM106
Popular for its good flavour – often compared to peach or pineapple. Sweetens if ripened in storage. Traditional in many counties of Ireland since the early 1800s.

Widow’s Friend—two year old potted on MM106 & M26 (Collection Only), one year old barerooted on M9
Crisp and juicy early apple. Very attractive fruit with deep red blush on a contrasting white background. Requires a good sunny site for best flavour and to reduce susceptibility to scab. Traditionally grown in Co. Armagh.
IRISH SEED SAVERS ASSOCIATION PRICE LIST

*Items marked with an asterisk* can be posted to you

*All Items can be sent by courier at customer’s expense*

**TREES, PLANTS & SEEDS:**

*Soft fruit bushes (in dormant season) € 6.00
*Bare rooted apple trees and pear trees

1 year old bare rooted (in dormant season) €18.95
1 yr old bare rooted (Less Subscriber’s 10%) €17.00
2 year old potted (in dormant season) €24.95
2 year old potted (Less Subscriber’s 10%) €22.45
Potted 1 year old apple and pear trees €19.95
Potted 1 year old apple and pear trees (Less Subscriber’s 10%) €18.00
*Organic seed packets ( ask for our seed catalogue or look online € 2.75

**GARDEN SUNDRIES:**

*Seaweed dust (Sold by weight)
*Calcified seaweed with rock phosphate (Sold by weight)
*Concentrated seaweed extract (1 litre) € 9.00
*Concentrated seaweed extract (500ml) € 4.50
*Lac Balsam (1kg) (seals pruning cuts) € 25.00
*Bamboo garden canes 25c
*Tree ties with spacers € 1.25c
*Grafting tape (per metre) 25c
*Grafting knives € 17.00
* Ferramol organic slug pellet (Sold by weight)

**GIFT ITEMS:**

*Membership per year (full rate) € 50.00
*Membership per year (concessionary rate) € 35.00
*Family Subscription per year €65.00
*Gift vouchers Various prices
*Cotton shopping bags (non-GM & unbleached fabric) € 3.00
*‘Síol’ CD - traditional Irish music and song €12.00
*Apples in Winter box set of 2 CD’s (profits all to go to ISSA fundraising) €20.00

**GIFT ITEMS AND PUBLICATIONS:**

* Pruning manual € 5.00
*Apple History and Myth book € 5.00
*Seed-saving manual € 5.00
*Grafting manual € 5.00
*Guide to Organic Vegetable Growing € 5.00

Please check your order form before returning it; fill out all fields with an asterix within the form making sure you have selected the rootstock sizes, that you have left a daytime phone number and your full postal address.

If you have any queries don’t hesitate to get in touch with us.
Thank you for your order and your continued support.
**TREE ORDERING FORM**

**PLEASE USE BLOCK CAPITALS**

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**Tree Order Form**

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- **Delivery:**
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**Trees not paid for will be held for one week ONLY.**

**Collection DEADLINE is the end of March 2014 for ALL tree collection or 4 working weeks from ordering.**

*If your selection is not available we will substitute it with a similar. Please tick to confirm*

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**Postage:** (1-10 trees €10, 11-20 trees €20, 21-30 trees €30, 31-40 trees €40)

**TOTAL:** €

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ALL SOFT FRUIT BUSHES ARE €6.00 EACH

Blackcurrants:

Oggonoloe blackcurrants:

I.S.S.A. blackcurrants: (ribes nigrum)
Unknown origin. Grown at Seed Savers for several years. Large currants, very prolific cropping. Ripens end July.

Wellington blackcurrants: (ribes nigrum)
Old variety, vigorous growth heavy crop of sweet juicy currants, susceptible to late frosts, ripens mid-July.

Ben Sarek blackcurrants: (ribes nigrum)
Dwarf bush, frost resistant, heavy cropping, nice flavoured large currants. Mildew resistant. Late ripening.

Priceless blackcurrants: (ribes nigrum)

Redcurrants

Red Lake redcurrants: (ribes rubrum)
Very reliable, moderate vigor, heavy yield of large juicy fruit.

Whitecurrants

White Versailles whitecurrants: (ribes sativum)
Pale yellow, reliable cropper, ripening early July.

White Pearl whitecurrants: (ribes sativum) Out of Stock
Upright bush, heavy cropper, ripening early July.

Planting Guidelines:

blackcurrants 5-6 foot spacing
red and white currants 6-10 foot spacing in a trench 18 inches wide, 9 inches deep
ISSA Plum and Pear Catalogue

Pears

The pear trees in our collection were mostly found in the mid-west counties but they are grown all around the county. Pears are not as well suited to Ireland as are apples. They need shelter from cold winds and in northern areas really should be planted close to a south facing wall as the microclimate there will be warmer and more sheltered. Pears can be planted similar to apple trees just bearing in mind the trees need for more shelter.

Pear Flowering

Pear trees are comparatively rare in Ireland so it is essential to provide a suitable pollination partner, i.e. another pear tree flowering at the same time. Pear blossoms appear from mid-April to the end of May so there is a chance of frost damage and if the weather is cold insect activity and consequently, pollination rates and yields will be low. The descriptions of the pears indicate whether they are early, mid-term or late flowering varieties.

Pear Rootstocks

Pyrus Communis is a very vigorous rootstock, more suitable for half standard and standard trees. Growing up to 12 metres (40 ft) in maturity in good soil condition, pear trees on Pyrus Communis should be planted 5 metres (17 to 18 ft) apart. This rootstock displays good anchorage. Full size: 6m+ 6m-7m apart Standard Pyrus communis is a seedling pear rootstock, and produces a traditional free-standing tree. Comes into bearing after 8-10 years - hence the old saying "plant pears for your heirs".

St. Julien A Large: 3m-3.5m  3.5m-4m between trees Bush, Central leader, Half-standard, Large Fan. The best general-purpose plum rootstock, excellent for both free-standing trees and fans. Produces a tree which is roughly comparable in size to the apple MM106 rootstock. Comes into bearing after 3-5 years. This rootstock is also widely used for apricots, peaches and nectarines.

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Large roundish green fruit with dark russet and flushed brownish-red. It is crisp with a musky flavour. It is one of the best cooking pears. The blossom is in late April. The pears should be picked in mid October but are at their best the following January through April. This is late flowering and a triploid, i.e. it needs two other pear trees for a successful pollination.

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A small to medium sized greenish fruit with some russet patches. It is juicy and gritty with a mild flavour. It is a mid term flowering variety, blossoming in late April giving a heavy crop that ripens in October. Self-fertile variety but a pollination partner ensures a better crop of fruit.
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The scion wood for this variety was collected from a tree supposedly planted by John Wesley, the Methodist minister, whilst he was visiting the Palatine community in north Co. Limerick. Flowering group unknown, so buy two trees to be certain of getting a crop of fruit.

A round yellow Asian pear with medium sized mild strawberry flavored fruit. It ripens in late July to early August and stores well in a domestic fridge. The variety is early flowering and self-fertile, but it still benefits from cross pollination. The tree needs protection from frost.

A good late pear, cropping reliably. Small fruit may be thinned to increase size. Fruit are pale green, turning to pale yellow; russeted; Juicy and sweet.

Fruit medium to large; pale green, turning to golden yellow, sometimes with very faint red stripes. Variable russet with patch around the stalk and marbling elsewhere. Sweet, juicy with a strong musky flavour. Susceptible to scab, not suitable for damp gardens. Picking time – early September.

Vigorous tree of good quality, suited to garden where space allows cultivation as bush tree. Large fruit is light green changing to pale yellow sometimes with a slight red flush. Brown russet around stalk area and sometimes spreading. Tastes juicy with good flavour, slightly gritty. Picking time – mid to late September.

It’s ripe in August. Fruit is large, pyriform skin is smooth, greenish yellow, with a tinge of dark brownish red near the sun. Eye is large and open, with short stout blunt segments, set in a shallow basin. Stalk about 2inches long slender and abliquely inserted without depression. Flesh is yellowish white, tender, melting and very juicy, with a rich vinous flavour, and slightly musky aroma. To look at the tree it is nothing like a pear, it’s a floppy droopy bush with leaves like a quince.
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