

Jona Gold Apple



Profile: Honey sweet, with a hint of tartness
Juicy
Crisp, creamy yellow flesh

Best Uses: Excellent for eating, salads, sauces, and baking
Good for pies and freezing

Special Hint: Jonagolds also make great fried apples. Simply sauté in a little butter and add a touch of cinnamon. No sugar needed.

Malus pumila 'Jona Gold'

- **Use:** Jona Gold is high quality American apple, developed in the 1940s. As its name suggests, this is a cross between a Jonathan and a Golden Delicious.
- **Please be sure to read the Home Garden Apples article from UGA on our Plant Information Page on the website. There is too much information to print here. You need a pollinator tree.**
- **Exposure/Soil:** Sunlight, and plenty of it, is a key to increasing fruit production. Pick an area where the trees will be in the sun most or all of the day. The early morning sun is particularly important because it dries the dew from the leaves thereby reducing the incidence of diseases. If the planting site does not get plenty of sun, then you can't expect the best performance from the tree. Well-drained, rich soil. pH of 5.5 to 6.5 necessary.
- **Growth:** Moderate growing; reaches 18 to 25 ft. tall, 18 to 25 ft. wide.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 6-10; Tree.
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Green leaves.
- **Flower/ Fruit:** Jonagold is a large apple, and makes a substantial snack. If you are struggling to eat your 5 portions of fruit and veg per day, this can help! The large size is a good clue that this is a triploid apple variety, with 3 sets of genes. As a result it is a poor pollinator of other apple varieties, and needs two different nearby compatible pollinating apple varieties. Example pollinators include Gala, Empire, Fuji, and Honeycrisp.

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