



Bookcliff Gardens

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Fruit Trees Planting Instructions

Planting

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Pollination of Tree Fruits

Apricots: We consider apricots self-fertile and not needing a pollinizer.

Sour Cherries: Self-fertile and not needing a pollinizer.

Sweet Cherries: 'Stella' is the only self-fertile variety. All other varieties require a pollinizer. 'Black Tartarian', 'Sam', 'Stella', and 'Van' are the best pollinizers. 'Bing', 'Lambert', and 'Royal Ann' will not pollinize each other.

Peaches: The common varieties are self-fertile and not needing a pollinizer.

Pears: Pears will bear more heavily with a pollinizer. 'Bartlett' makes the best pollinizer.

Plums: 'Green Gage' is self-fertile. 'Satsuma' is best pollinated by 'Santa Rosa'.

Prunes: Self-fertile and not needing a pollinizer.