

Finesse Early Queen®

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Origin

This mutation was discovered in 2008 at the fruit farm of the Boerekamp family, Someren, the Netherlands.

In 2010 the plant breeder's rights for this early and productive mutation of Jonagold Boerekamp EarlyQueen® was applied for.



Colouring

Finesse EarlyQueen® ripens approximately three weeks before any other Jonagold mutations and 1 to 2 weeks before Elstar and Conference. This is a bright red apple with a green background. Fruit will uniformly colour even in shaded areas of the tree. Due to the early colouring, maturity and harvest of the Finesse EarlyQueen® apple, it can be marketed and sold as a unique early apple to consumers.

Taste

Finesse EarlyQueen® is a firm but juicy apple, with excellent flavour. The acidity and sugar level at time of harvest (14, 5°-15° brix) is high. The average fruit pressure is 9 kg/cm².

Flowering

The abundant flowering period is nearly equal to other Jonagold varieties.

Cultivation and production

Finesse EarlyQueen® is an early harvesting and an very productive mutation. Because of the shorter growing period, the spraying costs drop considerably. Due to the smaller and flatter shape of the fruit, the apple favourably falls within the: 75-80mm size profile. The early picking time enables the grower to spread the harvest period, enabling the optimal use of fruit bins during the season. In the first pick, approximately 70-80% of the fruit is harvested.

Storage

Finesse EarlyQueen® apples have an outstanding shelf life. The last few years have shown that even after long term storage, the apple, remains firm and retains its excellent taste.

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