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# FRUIT TREES

WITH CULTURAL DIRECTIONS AND FULL DESCRIPTIONS



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## FRUIT TREES

When planting fruit trees it is wise to remember that the treatment they receive will later have an influence on their cropping capacity, and to ensure complete success they should be properly planted, and pruned correctly for several succeeding seasons.

The trees when received from the nursery will have three or four leaders, which should be cut back to four or five buds, taking care that the top ones remain points outwards. This process, with modification, applies for succeeding seasons, the usual method adopted being that of leaving a longer portion of the branch each year until the tree has attained its full size. All inward-growing and crossing shoots should be removed entirely, care being taken to ensure an evenly-balanced tree having a hollow centre, with the main branches not crowded.

When planting, the roots should be spaced evenly in such a manner that their growth will provide a good hold to sustain the tree when loaded with fruit.

Shelter is absolutely necessary to obtain results, in fact it is useless to plant an orchard in some localities without first making this important provision. Fairly constant cultivation between the trees is advised, all weeds and rubbish should be destroyed or buried, special care being taken to burn dead branches, especially those removed when pruning. Deep cultivation close to the trees must be avoided, as it injures the roots.

Preparation—To ensure the best results it is necessary that the soil be well worked by trenching and digging, if possible some time before it is intended to plant. An addition of old animal manure may be added, but if the trees are to be planted immediately, the manure should be applied as a surface dressing after completion of the planting.

Planting—When planting a home orchard the trees may be spaced 12 to 16 feet apart, provided they are subsequently pruned to form medium-sized low-bearing trees, which are the most useful.

#### APPLES

Our apples are worked on blight-proof stocks, thus securing a root system entirely free from all blights. It must be clearly understood that the root stock only is blight-proof and not the whole tree, the branches of which may be easily treated if necessary. We have listed only those varieties which we are able to recommend.

Prices: 2/6 each, 28/- per dozen, £10 per 100; larger trees, 3/- each, 33/- per dozen, £12/10/- per 100; extra large trees, 3/6 to 5/- each. Commercial grade, 24/- per dozen.

Adam's Pearmain—A fine dessert variety with a yellow skin, splashed red; matures late.

Alfriston—A first-class culinary apple, matures late and is a splendid keeper.

American Golden Russet—A rich golden-russet; fine dessert and crops well; late.

Ballarat Seedling—A large green- and yellow-fruited variety with a red cheek; splendid for kitchen purposes; late.

Celo—An excellent dessert apple, supposedly a cross between Sturmer and Delicious. Combines the keeping qualities of the former with the flavour of the latter.

Cox's Orange Pippin—One of the best mid-season dessert apples, crisp yellow flesh with a rich aromatic flavour. Valuable for export purposes.

Cox's Orange Pippin (Scarlet)—A new sport of higher colour; reported of similar qualities.

Delicious—One of the best late-keeping apples. A strong grower and prolific cropper with deliciously flavoured fruit, which is brightly coloured.

Devonshire Quarrenden—Medium-sized fruit, a rich crimson in the sun; pink flesh, crisp and juicy; a valuable early dessert.

Dougherty—A good dessert apple of a fine red colour; a late and heavy-bearing variety.

Dunn's Favourite-See Munroe's Favourite.

Five Crown Pippin (London Pippin)—A good quality and long-keeping variety; useful for cooking and dessert purposes. Very successful in Taranaki; late.

Frimley Beauty--A splendid dessert, and a long keeper. A good grower with brightly coloured fruit; late.

APPLES—Continued

Golden Delicious—Undoubtedly the best golden apple yet introduced; of a good size and shape; matures late.

Granny Smith—An exceptionally heavy cropper which when grown in cold climates keeps throughout the entire winter. Suited to practically all districts, it is easily one of the best. Fruit is large and greenish-yellow in colour; matures late.

Gravenstein—A first quality early dessert apple with a yellow skin streaked red. The flesh is juicy and crisp.

Irish Peach—The first dessert apple to ripen. Mediumsized fruit coloured yellow and tinged red; crisp, juicy and richly flavoured. The fruit is borne on the tips of the young wood. This must be remembered when pruning.

Jonathan—One of our best commercial varieties, which succeeds in most localities. The fruit is conical and of excellent quality and flavour. The skin is dark red, giving it a handsome appearance; mid-season to late.

Kentish Fillbasket—Fruit oblong, pale yellow, flushed and streaked red. A large culinary variety; mid-season.

Keswick Codlin—An old and much esteemed variety; pale yellow. Esteemed for cooking; early.

Kidd's Orange Red—A cross between Cox's Orange and Delicious. Has the flavour and texture of Cox's; heavy cropper.

Laxton's Superb—Larger and later than Cox's Orange Pippin, of very similar flavour and an excellent keeper.

Munroe's Favourite—Late dessert and cooking. Large fruit with a clear yellow skin and red cheek, while the flesh is firm and white. A good export type and suitable for commercial planting.

Ohinemuri-See Munroe's Favourite.

Parlins Beauty—An improvement on Munroe's Favourite; large and handsome; tree hardy and prolific.

Peasgood's Nonsuch—A mid-season dessert and cooking apple, yellow, streaked bright red and crimson. Flesh juicy with a good flavour. One of the best for household purposes.

Prince Alfred—One of the largest and most handsome apples. Of oblong shape, green, sometimes coloured bright red. A good keeper, ripening mid-season to late, and useful for any purpose.

APPLES—Continued

Rainier—A late apple which promises to hold first place among dessert varieties. Its eating qualities, which improve with keeping, are excellent, and its record as a cropper is phenomenal. 3/6 each.

Red Delicious-A more highly coloured variety, otherwise

similar; late.

Red Quarrenden-See Devonshire Quarrenden.

Reinette du Canada—Autumn dessert and cooking. Fruit large and flat with a greenish-yellow skin flaked russet; flesh crisp and well-flavoured. A fine household apple.

Ribston Pippin—An old variety, but one of the best, greenish-yellow marked red and crimson; flesh firm and

crisp; a good mid-season dessert.

Rome Beauty-Yellow, flushed and striped red; round and

flat; heavy bearer; keeps well.

Scarlet Dougherty—A scarlet fruited variety of Dougherty. Scarlet Pearmain—A beautiful and handsome dessert apple: mid-season.

Stayman's Winesap—One of the best long-keeping dessert apples. Handsome conical fruit, dark rich red in colour; fine-grained and exceedingly juicy. Ready several weeks after Jonathan and better keeper; late.

Sturmer Pippin—One of our leading export apples which does well in all parts. It is a long-keeping, first quality dessert apple, brisk and spicy. An invaluable variety

which matures late.

#### APRICOTS

This luscious fruiting tree is unfortunately not successful when grown in the light soils of Taranaki. Success is assured only on certain heavy clay soils.

Prices: 2/6 each, 28/- per dozen; larger trees, 3/- each, 33/- per dozen.

Moorpark—Fruit large, firm and free-stone; an old favourite.

Newcastle—A medium-sized fruit of good flavour; early and regular bearer.

Roxburgh Red-A large-fruiting variety raised in Otago.

If you do not require anything in this catalogue yourself, please hand it to someone who may be interested in it.

#### CHERRIES

The Cherry crops best when grown in a rich open soil, one that is stiff and gravelly being unsuitable. A top-dressing of manure in August will give good results.

Prices: 2/6 each, 28/- per dozen; larger trees, 3/- each, 33/- per dozen.

Bedford Prolific—A large early variety, hardy and free-bearing; one of the best.

Black Heart—Fruit heart-shaped, dark purple with red flesh; sweet and deliciously flavoured; mid-season.

Tangshi—Bears delicious edible fruit, and is also noted for its early floral display.

#### NECTARINES

All worked on seedling peach stocks. Treat as advised for Peaches.

Prices: 2/6 each, 28/- per dozen; larger trees, 3/- each, 33/- per dozen.

Goldmine—This mid-season variety in undoubtedly the best one grown. The fruit is large, perfectly free-stone, of delicious flavour and does not crack. We have no hesitation in recommending it for all localities.

New Boy—A hardy variety of largest size and beautiful colouring, with white flesh; juicy and of excellent flavour; a heavy cropper.

#### **PEACHES**

To ensure success, the cultural directions given in the general introduction to the Fruit Tree Section should be carefully followed, with the addition of summer pruning during December. Occasional mulching under the trees with animal manure is advised. Spray during late winter with Bordeaux Mixture as a specific for leaf-curl. Formula: 8lb. bluestone, 8lb. lime, 40 gallons water. Smaller quantities in proportion.

Our stock has been grown from buds selected by officials of the New Zealand Institute of Horticulture, and is restricted to fifteen leading varieties.

Prices: 2/6 each, 28/- per dozen, £10 per 100; larger trees, 3/- each, 33/- per dozen, £12/10/- per 100; commercial grade, 24/- per dozen,

PEACHES—Continued

Brigg's Red May—Very early; medium to large, with bright red cheeks; flesh juicy, melting, with stone almost free.

Elberta—A highly-coloured, hardy, free-stone variety of excellent quality; one of the best mid-season varieties.

Golden Queen—A late clingstone with firm yellow flesh, of good quality and flavour; a good keeping variety.

Hale's Early—A well-known second early variety of good flavour, medium to large, and freestone.

Hobb's Late—A firm clingstone and excellent bearer; one of the best late varieties.

J. H. Hale—A large heavy-bearing freestone with the texture of a cling, and a most delicious flavour; midseason. Known as the "Million Dollar Peach."

High's Early Canada—White fleshed, rich and juicy; skin creamy-yellow mottled red. Ripens at Christmas.

Kalamazoo—An extremely hardy variety which bears large handsome yellow fruit, deliciously flavoured; midseason.

Kelly's Extra Early—A new locally-raised variety of great value, and is the earliest peach to ripen; fruit of good quality.

Le Vainquer—A heavy bearer which ripens in early December; of good quality and medium size.

Mary's Choice—A new, attractive, good cropping peach of local origin; a good dessert variety.

Muir—A yellow freestone variety of excellent flavour; rich and sweet; mid-season.

Prizetaker—A handsome late variety; flesh deep yellow, red near the stone; of good substance and flavour.

Triumph—Very early yellow; good for preserving and very productive.

Waipoua-A large fruiting, yellow, freestone variety.

Wiggins—A hardy and prolific freestone of good colour and quality; ripe just after Hale's Early.

### PEARS

Pears are most successful on heavy land, preferring slightly damp conditions. We stock trees worked on both seedling Pear and Quince stocks.

Prices: 2/6 each, 28/- per dozen; larger trees, 3/- each, 33/- per dozen, £12/10/- per 100.

PEARS—Continued

Bartlett-See Williams' Bon Chretien.

Bon Chretien-See Williams' Bon Chretien.

Buerre Clairgeau—Large, yellow-russet flushed bright red; flesh melting and sweet; late autumn.

Clapps Favourite—Good colour and size; useful for dessert or bottling. Ripens before Wm. Bon Chretien.

Conference—Tree strong and hardy with upright growth; fruit dark green and russet with salmon-coloured flesh; melting, juicy and rich.

Doyenne du Comice—Greenish-yellow flushed russet; flesh white, juicy, melting and sweet; one of the best early varieties.

Kieffers Hybrid—Fruit of largest size, deep golden-yellow when ripe, flavour resembling Williams' Bon Chretien; very late keeper and comes into bearing while quite young.

Louise Bonne of Jersey—Medium-sized, yellow-russet brightly flushed; flesh white, melting and of rich flavour; early autumn.

Packham's Triumph—Early and prolific bearer, with a delicious sugary flavour; large and of good form; highly recommended.

P. Barry—Large orange-yellow; flesh very juicy and of excellent flavour; one of the latest.

Williams' Bon Chretien—Large fruit with pale yellow skin; flesh white, melting and of delicious flavour. An excellent late dessert and preserving pear, and the most popular variety.

Winter Cole—A hardy and prolific variety, medium-size, greenish coloured, partly covered with russet; juicy and delicious.

Winter Nellis-Medium-size, russet-coloured fruit; juicy and melting; good quality; late.

## PERSIMMON—Japanese Date Plum

These trees produce a delectable fruit much valued for dessert purposes. They may be planted in the orchard or shrubbery, where they will prove both handsome and profitable. When planting prune heavily. In four leading varieties; strong trees.

Prices: 3/6 to 5/- each.

#### PLUMS

Plums are the hardiest of all fruit trees, requiring very little attention beyong pruning and an occasional spraying. Most of the European varieties do not crop for several years, but are of superior quality compared with the Japanese varieties, which usually crop the second season after planting.

Prices: 2/6 each, 28/- per dozen; larger grade, 3/- each, 33/- per dozen.

#### EUROPEAN VARIETIES

- Cherry Plum—The well-known old variety which is the first to ripen. Smaller trees for hedges, 50/- per 100.
- Coe's Golden Drop—Large oval fruit, juicy, rich and most deliciously flavoured. One of the finest late plums for dessert and preserving.
- · Damson—The old popular variety; unsurpassed for preserving, with wonderful cropping qualities.
  - .. Shropshire—The best for preserving.
  - Diamond—Fruit large, oval, deep purple; flesh juicy and crisply flavoured; mid-season. One of the best culinary plums.
  - Evans' Early—The earliest plum of this class. Fruit small to medium and freestone; an abundant bearer.
  - Green Gage—This well-known variety is a favourite for dessert; flesh tender, juicy, and very rich.
  - Lord Kitchener—Pink, turning to red; early; of excellent flavour.
  - Pond's Seedling—A wonderful bearer; fruit large, oval, dark red; flesh juicy and brisk; late.
  - Prune d'Agen—Second early; small but firm and sweet; the best for general purposes.
  - Yellow Magnum Bonum—A large cooking plum; flesh pale yellow, juicy and of good flavour; hardy and a good cropper; late mid-season.

#### JAPANESE VARIETIES

Prices: 2/6 each, 28/- per dozen, £7/10/- per 100; larger grade, 3/- each, 33/- per dozen.

Beauty—Large size, dark red flesh and skin; good keeper; ripens first week in December.

PLUMS (Japanese Variety)—Continued

Billington's Early—One of the best early plums, ripening Christmas week. The fruit is firm and abundantly produced; useful for all purposes.

Burbank—Large globular dessert plum with a sweet and juicy flesh; a splendid mid-season variety; free-cropper and strong grower.

Doris—An exceedingly vigorous late-cropping variety of handsome appearance. One of the best for jam purposes and good for preserving.

October Purple—A good purplish-black plum with yellowish flesh, very juicy and sweet; a heavy cropper; late.

Ogon—Fruit like Yellow Gage in appearance; flesh yellow, firm and of excellent quality; regular and heavy cropper; mid-season.

Purple King—A mid-season variety; flavour similar to an European plum; a fine dessert and preserving variety.

Satsuma—"Blood Plum." Fruit very large and of dark colour from skin to stone; flesh firm, juicy and rich. One of the very best for preserving.

Sultan—A large dark plum with crimson flesh; firm, solid and sweet; a heavy bearer; mid-season. Probably the best Japanese variety.

Wright's Early—Ripens in December; an upright vigorous grower; fruit of medium quality.

## QUINCES

These trees are most successful when grown in a moist position. Useful for culinary and preserving purposes.

Prices: 2/6 each, 28/- per dozen; larger grade, 3/- each, 33/- per dozen.

Burbank's Orange—An early bearer; of good quality.

Champion—Large, smooth, handsome fruit borne abundantly even when the tree is young; early.

Portugal—A very large late variety; skin more yellow than most; strong grower and heavy cropper.

Van Dieman—One of the best early varieties. Fruit of most superb flavour, texture and quality; a heavy bearer. We have no hesitation in recommending it for all purposes.

#### CITRUS TREES

The fruiting trees included in the Citrus Section make handsome ornamental specimens, bearing white sweetly-scented flowers, and in favourable localities maturing heavy crops of fruit. They may be used as specimens in the garden border, the showy fruit providing a useful contrast with the evergreen and flowering shrubs.

As Citrus trees are gross feeders, having the majority of their roots close to the surface, very light cultivation near the trees is advised, while manure may be applied in the form of top-dressings, which may be repeated two or three times a year.

Our extensive stock of strong well-furnished trees has been grown locally at our nurseries, worked on seedling orange and citronella stocks.

#### CITRON

Bengal—Fruit large and round; a first-class variety for preserving. 3/6 to 5/- each.

#### LEMONS

Prices: 3/- and 3/6 each, 33/- and 36/- per dozen, £12/10/- per 100; larger trees, 5/- to 12/6 each.

Analfi—A wonderfully prolific cropper very suitable for Taranaki.

Eureka—One of the best. Fruit of medium size and very even; tree almost thornless.

Genoa—A thornless variety which bears large yellow fruit.

A good bearer of general excellence.

Ideal—An immense cropper of smooth even-shaped fruit, the ideal for marketing purposes, hence its name. A new seedling from Lisbon without many of its parent's disadvantages; wonderfully free from thorns.

Lisbon—A hardy variety and heavy cropper; fruit medium in size and of first quality. It has invariably been successful wherever tested.

Messina—A variety which is largely grown in Australia, where it is a general favourite. Reputed to have a high acid content.

Meyer—This species is unequalled for hardiness and early fruiting. Quite small trees are often covered with the fruit, which is smooth and thin-skinned as well as being very juicy. A native of Northern China. 3/6 to 7/6 ea.

LEMONS—Continued

Ponderosa—"Wonder Lemon." Of easy cultivation, quick growing and fairly hardy. This variety bears very large fruits often over 2lb. in weight, which make good marmalade and excellent peel. The tree continues production during most of the year, the aggregate crop being phenomenal.

Sicily—A medium-sized lemon of splendid quality; skin

smooth and thin.

#### LIME

Tahitian—Large, greenish-yellow; very juicy and nearly seedless; the best. 4/- to 5/- each.

#### MANDARINES

Our stocks include several of the most notable varieties. 4/- to 5/- each.

#### ORANGES (Sweet)

Prices: 4/- to 5/- each, 40/- to 50/- per dozen; extra large, 7/6 each.

Best's Seedless—A vigorous variety reputed to be of unsurpassed quality; a heavy bearer, the fruit clinging well.

Dacres—One of the best oranges. Fruit of average size; splendid flavour and good quality.

Golden Nuggett—An early, dwarf-growing variety with large seedless, smooth, thin-skinned fruit.

Groveley (Navel)—Large yellow, flattish; not quite seedless; a heavy cropping mid-season variety. The best navel for poor soils.

Jaffa-A strong vigorous grower; very productive.

Let Gin Gong—A new sweet orange which commences to bear very early. The fruits are of a large uniform size and good flavour.

Poorman-See Pomelo.

Ruby Blood—The best of the red-fleshed varieties; tree vigorous and good bearer; fruit medium size.

St. Michael—Fruit of largest size, smooth, thin and very juicy; a profitable market variety.

Washington Navel—A splendid orange; very large, even, of perfect shape and colour; remarkably juicy and luscious.

## POMELO—Grape Fruit

The so-called "Grape Fruit" is becoming quite popular in this country as a breakfast dish, its bitter-sweet juices being reputed as having good medicinal qualities. The fruit is halved, sprinkled with sugar, and eaten at the breakfast meal after standing overnight.

Prices: 4/- to 5/- each; 40/- to 50/- per dozen.

Marsh's Seedless—A medium-sized fruit borne in clusters, almost seedless; a popular variety.

Omi Kin Kan—A Japanese variety which bears fruit when quite young; possibly superior to Poorman for preserves; one of the hardiest varieties.

Poorman, or Coltman Pomelo—Fruit very large and juicy; used extensively for preserves; a wonderful cropper. The best variety for general culture.

## MISCELLANEOUS FRUITS

## ACTINIDIA chinensis-Chinese Gooseberry

This remarkable climber produces a luscious fruit much esteemed for dessert purposes. To secure crops it is necessary to plant vines of both sexes. We offer grafted plants, sexes guaranteed. An extremely heavy cropper.

Prices: 5/- per pair, 50/- per dozen; seedlings, sex not guaranteed, 2/- and 2/6 each, 18/- prices.

## CRANBERRY—Myrtus Ugni

These are very suitable as low division hedges in the garden. They bear abundant crops of small edible berries which make a first-class jelly.

Prices: 1/6 each, 15/- per dozen; smaller grade for hedges, 12/- per dozen, 70/- per 100.

## CURRANTS—Ribes

Named varieties in Red, Black and White. Only the best fruiting types offered.

Prices: 1/3 each, 12/- per dozen, 80/- per 100.

## FEIJOA (in variety)

This species forms a handsome shrub 8 to 12 feet high. The flowers resemble those of the Pohutukawa, while the fruit, which is deliciously flavoured, has the appearance of a half-withered passion fruit.

Prices: 2/6 to 3/6 each.

#### FIGS-Figur Carica

The Fig provides a valuable dessert fruit, and deserves to be more generally cultivated where the climatic conditions are favourable. They are most successful in northern localities and the warm coastal districts of the North Island. We hold a stock of several varieties much prized for the quality of their fruit.

Price: 2/6 to 3/6 each; 28/- to 36/- per dozen.

## GOOSEBERRIES-Ribes Grossularia

We are able to offer a good range of proved varieties in both dessert and bottling types.

Prices: 1/- each, 10/- per dozen, 70/- per 100; larger plants, 1/6 each, 12/- per dozen, 80/- per 100.

## GRAPE VINES-Vitis vinifera

Prices: 2/6 each, 28/- per dozen; large plants, 3/6 each; 36/- per dozen.

- Albany Surprise (Te Kauwhata)—A very hardy variety suited to outdoor culture. Well formed solid fruits of good quality and flavour.
- Black Hamburg—A fine grape. The fruit is produced in large compact bunches; berries large and black. Probably the best all-round grape; early and hardy.
- Gros Colman—One of the most profitable varieties grown.

  Large round berries of a dark purplish-black colour.

  The flavour is very fine when properly ripened. This variety requires a fair amount of heat to bring it to perfection.

A letter order has the same attention as a personal visit.

#### **GUAVA**—Psidium

The Guava is a valuable winter-fruiting plant, which succeeds only in warm and sheltered coastal districts. Guavas do not take up much room, and should be in all gardens which are favourably situated. They are frequently used as division hedges, spaced 3ft. apart. When considering the planting of Guavas it is well to remember that they will not survive heavy frosts or cutting winds.

Prices: 2/- and 2/6 each, 20/- and 28/- per dozen, 150/- and 200/- per 100.

Purple—This is the most frequently cultivated variety.

The fruit is freely produced and agreeably flavoured.

Yellow—This variety succeeds remarkably well in our nurseries, and we have no hesitation in recommending it for sheltered gardens in Taranaki, and for Northern districts.

#### HOVENIA

Hovenia dulcis—D. The Japanese "Raisin Tree." Extensively cultivated in India and Japan. Clusters of yellow flowers; fleshy, sweet, edible flower stalks; 30ft. 3/6 ea.

#### LOGANBERRY—Rubus

Large Red—A good cropper which supplies a popular fruit for jams and preserves. Prices: 1/3 each, 12/- per doz.

## LOQUAT-Eriobotrya japonica

Loquats bear useful fruit which ripens very early. We offer named varieties which are esteemed for the quality of the fruit.

Prices: 2/6 to 3/6 each.

## MEDLARS-Pyrus germanica

These well-known old-fashioned fruiting trees, with their masses of pretty white flowers, make useful specimens for the shrubbery. We stock several varieties which have proved satisfactory.

Prices: 2/6 to 3/6 each.

#### MULBERRY

Black English—A good variety, long lived; makes a handsome tree. 2/6 to 3/6 each.

Hicks—Produces fruit continuously during three months. Fruit large, juicy, with a fine acid flavour. 3/6 each.

## PASSION FRUIT—Passiflora, Tacsonia

This valuable fruit is well worth growing in localities where frosts are not heavy. The plants commence to crop the season after planting.

Prices: 1/- to 2/- each, 10/- to 18/- per dozen, 60/- to 125/- per 100.

Passiflora edulis—The well-known purple or black variety which bears such heavy crops with so little attention.

" edulis perfecta—A large-fruited form of edulis, otherwise similar.

Tacsonia mixta quitensis (Passiflora quitensis)—A hardy species which bears pink pendulous flowers and long, edible, creamy-white fruit.

## RASPBERRIES—Rubus idæus

Raspberries require a deep, rich, moist, loamy soil, and are not generally successful in Taranaki. We stock a few of the best and most prolific varieties.

Prices: 3/6 to 5/- per dozen, 20/- to 30/- per 100.

## STRAWBERRY—Fragaria virginiana

We stock six of the best of the standard varieties. Prices: 1/6 per dozen, 10/- per 100.

## TREE TOMATO—Cyphomandra betacea

A small tree which bears edible egg-shaped fruits in penduolus strings. Purple at first, they are red when ripe; a valuable winter fruit. We offer two varieties, one more highly coloured than the older variety. They cannot stand heavy frosts.

Prices: 1/6 to 2/6 each.

Unless you tell us not to, we understand that we may substitute in case any selection on your order has been sold out.

## **NUTS**

The majority of nut-bearing trees make handsome and attractive specimens, as well as providing an enjoyable and nutritious food. In the planting of this class of tree, it is advisable to plant '? or more of a sort, thus providing for cross-fertilize on, which is essential in the production of good crops.

## ALMONDS-Prunus Amygdalus

Our stock has been grown from buds specially selected by officials of the New Zealand Institute of Horticulture. Plant several trees to secure cross fertilization and good crops.

Prices: 2/6 each, 28/- per dozen; large, 3/- each, 33/- per dozen.

Burbank's Seedling—A new variety which is highly recommended; very hardy; prolific and an early bearer.

Monavale—A hard-shelled prolific variety of excellent flavour, and a heavy cropper. This tree is a beautiful sight during the flowering season.

Texas Prolific—A soft-shelled variety of excellent quality and a good bearer.

## CHESTNUT—Castanea sativa

Spanish—"Sweet Chestnut." This is the most commonly cultivated variety. It is a strong grower and free cropper 2/6 to 3/6 each, 24/- to 36/- per dozen; extra large, 5/- to 7/6 each.

## MACADAMIA TERNIFOLIA

Queensland Nut—Bears edible nuts of unusual flavour and excellent quality, on mature trees. 2/6 to 3/6 each.

## FILBERT or HAZEL-Corylus Avellana

These are easily grown, hardy and prolific, providing an abundance of nuts, which mature in autumn.

Prices: 2/6 each, 28/- per dozen.

## WALNUTS-Juglans regia

The walnut is of considerable economic importance, producing as it does an abundance of one of the most popular nuts.

★Freshford Gem—A new variety from the United States, said to be of excellent quality and flavour. 7/6 each.

We offer three other varieties—Common English, Noyer, and Parisienne. 2/6 to 3/6 each, 24/- to 36/- per dozen.

## PERENNIAL VEGETABLES

## ASPARAGUS officinalis (Edible Asparagus)

Connover's Colossal—The best variety for general purposes; hardy and a good cropper.

Prices: Two-year-old, 10/- per 100; three-year-old, 20/-per 100; specially selected, 5/- per dozen.

## RHUBARB-Rheum rhaponticum

Crimson Winter—A large-stemmed variety which produces fine stalks right through the winter. 1/3 each, 12/per dozen.

Hogan's Shillelah—A fine dark red variety, strong growing and of first-class flavour. 2/- each; 20/- per dozen.

Myatt's Victoria—A seedless variety which produces fine strong stalks of splendid quality. 1/3 each, 12/- doz.

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