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| Variety                             | Ripening Date     | Fruit                                                                                                                 | Comments                                                                                                        |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Akane                               | August            | Small, bright-red fruit with white, firm, crisp flesh. Very flavorful.                                                | Good dessert apple. Light crops but bears every year. Fruit holds on tree.                                      |
| Arkansas Black                      | October, November | Hard, crisp, deep-red apple.                                                                                          | Best after storage for two months.                                                                              |
| Ambrosia                            | September         | Crisp, sweet, aromatic flesh that oxidizes slowly. Naturally sweet, requiring little sugar when cooked.               | Productive, but fruit size & color variable, Good quality, stores well                                          |
| Ashmead's Kernel                    | October           | Medium-size, red-orange blush over rough yellow-green skin.                                                           | Good disease resistance. Old variety.                                                                           |
| Braeburn                            | October-November  | Medium-size, golden red. Crisp, sweet-tart flavor.                                                                    | Fruit drops in hot climates. Biennial bearing. Ripens too late in Utah.                                         |
| Cameo                               | September October | Crisp, red with gold stripes. High quality with excellent flavor and storage life                                     | Hardy , precocious bearer that is easy to grow                                                                  |
| Cox Orange Pippin                   | Late September    | Medium-size, dull orange-red. Flesh yellow, firm, juicy. Flavor superb.                                               | Susceptible to cracking. Dense growth. Dislikes extreme cold, heat or low humidity.                             |
| Delicious (Red Delicious)           | August-September  | Color varies with temperature and cultivar; likes bright, warm days, cool nights. Older cultivars have better flavor. | Vary in ripening season and color. Many varieties. Needs pollinator, Golden Delicious good.                     |
| Earlblaze                           | July-August       | Medium fruit. Greenish yellow skin with red stripe. Crisp, white, firm, juicy flesh.                                  | Good summer apple. Cooks well but does not store.                                                               |
| Elstar                              | Mid-September     | Medium, red and yellow color. Excellent, tart flavor. Good for sauce or baking.                                       | Does not do well in hot climates. Alternate bearing.                                                            |
| Empire                              | Early September   | McIntosh X Delicious cross. Dark red round. Creamy white, juicy, crisp, flesh.                                        | Good tree structure, annual bearer. Stores well.                                                                |
| Esopus Spitzenberg                  | Late October      | Medium to large, red-dotted yellow. Crisp, fine-grained, tangy, spicy.                                                | Old favorite, best in cold-winter areas. Subject to fireblight, mildew.                                         |
| Fuji                                | Late October      | Tapered shape, red stripes. Large, firm, sweet, flavorful. Good keeper.                                               | Heavy bearer. Ripens late. Keeps well at room temperature.                                                      |
| Gala                                | September         | Medium, beautiful red color on yellow apple. Firm, crisp, yellow, juicy, sweet flesh. Stores well.                    | Vigorous, heavy bearer. Long, supple, brittle branches - prune carefully.                                       |
| Ginger Gold                         | August-September  | Large, yellow, smooth, tapered. Crisp, firm, flavorful.                                                               | Spreading, susceptible to mildew. Annually crops.                                                               |
| Golden Delicious (Yellow Delicious) | September         | Clear yellow; similar shape to Delicious. Highly aromatic, crisp, excellent for eating and cooking.                   | Improved varieties available; Goldspur, Yellow Spur, Prime Gold. Excellent pollinator for many other varieties. |
| Granny Smith                        | November          | Large green apple. Widely sold.                                                                                       | Often ripens too late for Utah.                                                                                 |
| Gold Supreme                        | August            | Medium large, yellow with red blush. Smooth, excellent flavor. Two weeks before Golden Delicious.                     | Vigorous upright tree. Tends to bear every other year. Thinning fruits early helps overcome biennial cropping.  |

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| Gravenstein              | August                       | Red stripes over deep yellow. Crisp, aromatic juicy. Excellent eating.                                       | Not widely grown in Utah. Best applesauce variety.                                                                                                 |
| Honeycrisp               | August                       | Delicate flavor and appealing texture. Excellent for fresh eating                                            | Stores well for up to six months. Tree is not vigorous but is very cold hardy                                                                      |
| Idared                   | September-October            | Bright red, tart apple with firm white flesh.                                                                | Stores well; sweetens in storage. Early, annual heavy bearer.                                                                                      |
| Jonagold                 | Late September-early October | Large; heavy red stripe over yellow. Firm and juicy. Flavor, resembles Jonathan. Stores well. Heavy bearer.  | Productive, medium-size tree. Mildew susceptible. Needs pollinator (not Golden Delicious, one of its parents); will not pollinate other varieties. |
| Jonathan                 | September                    | Small to medium, round-oblong. Bright red, juicy, tart, spicy, crisp, apple.                                 | All-purpose flavorful apple. Subject to mildew.                                                                                                    |
| Lodi                     | August                       | Similar to Yellow Transparent but larger and more firm and not as easily bruised                             | Cold hardy, vigorous tree                                                                                                                          |
| Macoun                   | Mid-October                  | Medium, red striped, green apple. Sweet, crisp, and juicy. Dessert and cooking.                              | Large, upright trees resistant to mildew, scab. Thin for fruit size. Drops badly when ripe.                                                        |
| McIntosh                 | Late August to September     | Medium to large. Bright red, nearly round. White, tender flesh. Tart.                                        | Drops badly when ripe. Prefers cooler temperatures so grow in higher areas.                                                                        |
| Melrose                  | Late October                 | Medium, round, red striped. White flesh; acid, aromatic. Jonathan Delicious cross.                           | Exceptional storage, good dessert apple. Mildew resistant.                                                                                         |
| Mutsu                    | Late October                 | Medium, greenish yellow to yellow blushed red. White flesh, crisp, more tart than Golden Delicious.          | Good dessert and cooking apple with long storage life. Tree exceptionally large and vigorous. Needs pollinator.                                    |
| Liberty                  | Early October                | Medium, elongated, heavy red blush. Crisp, sweet-tart flavor.                                                | Productive annual bearer. Immune to scab. Resists rust, fireblight.                                                                                |
| Newtown or Yellow Pippin | Late October                 | Large, green. Crisp and tart, fair for eating, excellent for cooking.                                        | Large vigorous tree. May be too late in many areas.                                                                                                |
| Northern Spy             | Late October                 | Large, red. Tender, fine-grained flesh. Sprightly flavor.                                                    | Slow to reach bearing age. Needs pollinator. Keeps well.                                                                                           |
| Paulared                 | September                    | Solid red blush apple. Jonathan X Red Delicious Cross Round                                                  | Mildew susceptible                                                                                                                                 |
| Pink Lady                | November                     | Distinctive pink fruits but red skin mutations are available                                                 | Very long season, several weeks after Granny Smith. Not for Northern Utah                                                                          |
| Red Astrachan            | July-August                  | Medium fruit. Green flesh with crimson stripes. Soft, juicy, tart flesh.                                     | Good for eating and cooking. Will not store.                                                                                                       |
| Red Gold                 | September                    | Medium, slightly oblong, red with yellow, mild flesh. Juicy. Keeps well.                                     | Vigorous hybrid between Red Delicious and Golden Delicious.                                                                                        |
| Rome Beauty (Red Rome)   | October                      | Large, round, smooth, red. Greenish white flesh. Outstanding baking apple, but indifferent for eating fresh. | Early bearer. Red Rome is most frequently sold. Blooms late, escapes frost.                                                                        |
| Spartan                  | September to October         | Small to medium, dark red/purple color. Crisp flesh, excellent flavor.                                       | Equals McIntosh in flavor. Good tree habit but needs thinning.                                                                                     |
| Summerred                | Late August                  | Bright red; tart and good for cooking until fully ripe, then good dessert quality                            | Gets overripe too fast in hot-summer climates.                                                                                                     |
| Wealthy                  | September                    | Medium to large, red. Flesh white veined pink, firm, tart, juicy. Good cooking variety.                      | Small, cold-hardy tree that tends to alternate bearing. Not for hot climates.                                                                      |
| Williams Pride           | Early August                 | Medium-size, red.                                                                                            | Moderate-size tree. Good, early red apple.                                                                                                         |
| Winesap                  | Mid September to October     | Medium to large, round. Lively flavor. Fine-grained, firm, juicy.                                            | Old-timer that remains top favorite.                                                                                                               |
| Winter Banana            | Mid September to October     | Large, pale yellow blushed pink, waxy finish. Tender, tangy, aromatic.                                       | Accepts mild winters. Needs pollinator. Spur type available.                                                                                       |

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