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FLORIDA FRIENDLY APPLES

While there is no real potential for a commercial apple industry in Florida, dooryard growers in the central and northern part of the state can grow these select varieties with success.

Like the peaches and plums, apples are deciduous trees.

They require 200-400 chill hours, according to variety, to go completely dormant, and then the flowers emerge in the late part of the winter as the weather begins to warm. The plants are highly ornamental as they begin to break bud having large, showy, pink and white flowers.

The typical apple season in Florida is May - June.

A chill hour is a unit of time at or below 45F and above 32F.

ANNA ~

With a chill requirement of 200 to 300 hours, Anna is an excellent variety for the South. Trees are large and strong and produce at a young age. The fruit are medium to large, with green skin overlaid with red. Fruit are early ripening, and crisp with good flavor. Anna fruits best with a pollinator, and Ein Shemer is a perfect choice.

EIN SHEMER ~

Strong upright trees with a chill requirement of 200 to 400 hours. The large sweet, yet tart fruit ripens early. Coloring is yellow overlaid with red. The tree is an excellent pollinator for Anna.

GOLDEN DORSETT ~

Requiring only 250 chill hours makes this apple tree a great southern selection to pair with Anna. Fruit ripens from mid June to early July. A large fruit with a sweet yet tart flavor with yellow skin and a pretty red blush.

Office Hours:

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