

2023 FIG VARIETIES

VARIETY	FRUIT SIZE & SHAPE	FRUIT SKIN & FLESH COLOR	FRUIT TASTE	TREE SIZE	REMARKS
Byadi	Large	Yellow, light green skin, light flesh	Sweet, honey	Small to medium	From Syria, known as honey fig. Productive at a young age, good in large containers, few seeds
Black Ischia	Medium to large, tear drop shape	Deep purple skin, deep violet flesh.	Juicy, rich and sweet	<10'	Grows slow, good for container growing. Late season variety, breba crop
Black Madeira/ Figo Preto	Medium & round	Black skin with deep red flesh	Outstanding flavor. Very rich with the right balance of sweetness and acidity	12-15'	Usually rated the best fig yet is not superior to other top cultivars, perhaps just more consistently good. We are not certain we have the correct cultivar, see Figo Preto
Black Zadar	Extra large, squat with flat bottom	Dark purple & green skin, red/purple flesh	Extremely sweet, juicy honey & berry flavor	8-10'	Ripens early, from Croatia, breba crop
Bourjasotte Grise	Medium to large & bell shape	Brown to tawny, flesh deep red	Rich, sweet berry flavor		Resembles Italian 1-258 but may have even better flavor, productive, breba crop
Col de Dame Blanc	Medium with long neck	Yellow & green skin, red flesh	Rich honey-like sweetness	10-20'	Productive, slow growing tree
Col de Dame Noir	Large with long neck	Dark skin & deep red flesh	Intense, sweet, rich berry flavor	10-20'	French variety, considered the best of the Col de Dame types, breba crop
Col de Dame Rimada	Teardrop shaped with long neck	Striped green and cream skin. Dark red, firm flesh	Rich flavor	10-20'	Late ripening, closed "eye" & size of tree
Colonel Littman's Black Cross	Medium to large teardrop shape	Dark skin with deep red flesh	Very sweet dark berry flavor	12-15'	Requires a lot of light to set fruit buds, is split resistant, consistent producer
Don Sadon South	Medium	Dark with medium red flesh	Slightly sweet with tart finish		A Matsuoko favorite. The original tree was a wild seedling in north San Diego county.

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Emalyn's Purple	Medium	Purple skin, deep amber flesh	Tangy to extremely sweet		Let ripen on tree as long as possible for full sweetness. Fast growing, no breba. Found growing wild near Sacramento.
Figo Preto	Large	Black skin	Outstanding flavor	8-15'	Identical to or a slightly larger strain of Black Madeira
Firehouse TFH	Medium	Thicker pale amber skin,	Tastes like apple pie filling		False eyes
Galicia Negra	Large, tear drop shaped	Dark purple skin, deep red/purple flesh	Excellent flavor, sweet & juicy		From Galicia, Spain
GE Neri	Very large Italian type bell-shaped	Crimson skin, reddish inner flesh	Very sweet		Possibly same as Genovese Nero
Hmairi Tree of Joy	Medium to large	Green skin w/ red flesh	Intense flavor		
I-258	Medium to large bell-shaped	Tougher skin that resists splitting	Strawberry jam texture & flavor		One of the best from a very large collection of Italian figs. A Matsuoko favorite.
Inchario Preto	Large	Black w/light honey flesh	Very sweet and juicy		Portuguese variety, must be pollinated from a male fig by the fig wasp
Kelli Lyn	Small to medium	Green skin, light amber flesh	Undertones of sweet berries		The Fig Hunter's top fig of 2022. Young trees produce heavily
Lathrop 335	Bite sized	Green skin, light amber flesh	Slightly astringent		Productive tree
La Bourgeoise	Oblong	Brown, red & yellow skin, brownish-red flesh	Complex, sweet & juicy flavor with jammy texture		Fast growing tree
LSU Purple	Medium	Purple with light red flesh	Very sweet when fully ripe	Medium size	Introduced @ Louisiana State. Closed eye prevents rot. Resists root knot nematodes & fig rust. Early producers & good container fig.
LSU Tiger	Medium	Green w/ purple stripes, red flesh	Very good sugary-fruit flavor	8-12'	Developed at Louisiana State

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Malta Black	Medium	Dark Purple skin, bright red flesh	Delicious sweet berry flavor	8-15'	Ripens early-mid season
Maltese Beauty	Large	Black with tiny white dots. Deep red flesh	Mild berry flavor sweetens when left to ripen		Very late crop in fall. Tends to split if moisture is not consistent
Marseille Black	Medium	Purple to black skin, red flesh	Sweet with notes of dark berry	10-20'	
Martenica Rimada	Medium	Striped red, yellow and purple with red flesh	Cinnamon spice combined w/ rich berry	10-20'	One of the most sought-after striped figs
Mary Lane	Medium	Chartreuse yellow skin color	Very mellow sweet, light colored flesh	10-20'	Breba crop
Morning Star TFH	Smaller	Yellow firm skin, blush flesh	Honey, caramel or apricot flavor w/ gelatinous center		Few seeds
Panachée (Tiger)	Medium & round	Beautiful cream/green striped skin & red flesh	Strong cherry-fig flavor	Small tree to 8'	Very productive, no breba crop, ripens late. Open eye can cause problems in humid locations.
Red Bluff Roundup (TFH-0801)	Small, firm & flat	Striped purple & black	Lightly sweet & on the brown sugar side of flavor		Found wild near Red Bluff, CA
Ronde de Bordeaux	Small & round	Black fruit with red flesh	Excellent sweet jam flavor		Ripens as early as August, breba crop most years. Highly rated, perhaps better than Violette de Bordeaux. Vigorous tree from France
Sequoia	Large, flat, bell-shaped	Light green -yellow skin & amber flesh	Mild, sweet flavor with soft, crunchy seeds	Medium size	UC Riverside introduction. Develops a Breba and second crop in most years

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Soccoro Black	Round	Green to dark skin, red flesh	Rich strawberry flavor		Productive tree
Sultan de Marabout	Medium to large	Dark purple skin with strawberry colored flesh	Incredibly sweet nutty flavor w/ tones of honey & perfume		From Algeria, fruit ripens from August to October, not self-fertile needs pollination from a male fig by a male wasp
Sultane	Small to medium & oval	Dark purple to brown skin, strawberry colored flesh	Refreshing berry tones, very sweet		From France, very productive, breba crop.
UCR 187-25	Medium to large	Light green to yellow, red pulp	Outstanding with strong berry flavors	20-30'	
Unknown Pastiliere	Small to medium fruit	Dark red skin, red flesh	Outstanding dark cherry & blackberry flavor with an acidic bite		Called "unknown" because it was supposed to be Pastiliere but turned out different (and better). It appears to be a smyrna-type, <i>NOT self-fertile</i> , can drop a lot of fruit
Violet's Delight TFH-1020	Large and oval	Green/Yellow skin, strawberry flesh	Wonderfully jammy, rich texture		Adriatic type with few seeds
Violette de Bordeaux	Small to medium tear-drop shaped	Black fruit with deep red flesh	Tastes like Raspberry jam	Small tree 8'	Like a miniature version of Black Mission, good for container growing, closed eye, early Breba crop, very productive, good for coastal areas
Vista Black Mission	Large to small (larger early in year), tear-drop shaped	Black fruit with deep red flesh	Very good jam flavor	>20'	Vista type w/ more fruit per foot & heavy producer. This is a selection of Black Mission, brought by the missionaries in the 1500's to America. Good for drying
White Madeira #1	Medium & oval	White/green skin, bright strawberry flesh	Delicious, unique flavor like strawberry Jolly Ranchers		Late ripener
Yellow Long Neck	Large round	Yellow skin, amber flesh	Honey sweet flavor	Small 4-8'	Honey fig that ripens late, productive

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Col de Dame Roja	Medium sized pear shaped with long neck	Red flesh, grey-green veined skin w/ red flesh	Spiced apricot and sweet berry flavor		
Craven's Craving	Medium	Black skinned, red flesh	Rich berry flavor		From Portugal
De la Reina	Medium sized spherical shape	Dark fig, pale interior near skin that fades to deep red near the eye	Intense sweet berry flavor. Sugar bomb with a strawberry taste. Moderate seed crunch chewy texture		From Spain and extremely vigorous.
De La Roca	Medium	Brownish Purple and green skin.	Moderately intense berry flavor	15-20'	
Flanders	Large, tear-drop shaped	Olive-green skin, purple veins, brilliant red flesh	Strong berry flavor	Full size tree	No splitting or cracking. Closed eye. Excellent fig from UC Riverside.
Gary's Strawberry	Medium	Skin green with purple veins, amber flesh	Sweet with a more acidic flavor profile		
Italian Grandmother	Large flat fruit	Light greenish yellow skin	Sweet mellow flavor		An excellent yellow fig
Jolly Rancher	Small to medium round fruit	Mottled green skin and burgundy flesh	Super jammy & delicious w/ a nice cherry flavor		Seedling from the Bay Area. BFF
Olympia	Huge round				From Washington state
Pan de Vino Dark	Medium to large dark fruit	Dark fruit	Flavor still under evaluation		Pan de Vino is the name of an Italian restaurant in Bethlehem, PA that went out of business. The owner brought the cultivar from Sicily
Pasqual (Pasqual late)	Small fruit	Purple skin with amber to pink flesh	Sweet		Harvest November-December

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Pinole Peach	Very large, light bulb shaped	Light green thin skin surrounds deep rose flesh	Quite juicy with a sweet peachy flavor and light seed crunch		BFF
Quinell	Large flat round fruit	Yellow green with yellow to rose flesh	Excellent honey sweet flesh with chewy skin.		From northern California. BFF
Raspberry Latte	Small to medium round fruit	Dark purple, black fruit with deep red flesh	Outstanding flavor		Comparable to Black Madeira but production can be sparse
Rich Man's Plout	Medium, round sized	Deep purple, velvety thin skin & red flesh	Jammy pluot flavor		From Richmond, CA. BFF
Shasta Peach	Large rounded fruit	Nearly black skin and dark burgundy flesh. Skin very thin	Peachy fig flavor & brown sugar sweetness.		From Highway 299 in NorCal. BFF
Smith's Fig	Small & flat	Greenish-yellow skin, deep red flesh	Acidic, jammy berry flavor	12-15'	Louisiana heirloom fig. Disease resistant. Closed eye
Tena	Medium size, tear-drop shaped	Light yellow - green with light colored flesh, red at center	Very sweet		Tight eye, good for drying
White Marseilles	Small to medium short necked	Yellow-green skin, light yellow flesh	Sweet and mellow flavor		Introduced by Thomas Jefferson and his favorite. Mid-season