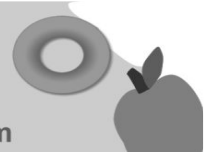


# Welcome to SkyTop ORCHARD

www.SkyTopOrchard.com



We are delighted you decided to visit today. To ensure that everyone has a great time, we ask that you follow the rules below. Thank you and have a wonderful visit!

- **DOGS** are welcome in the orchard provided they remain on leash at all times. We ask that you clean up after them and be conscientious around other guests and our farm animals. Dogs are not allowed in the fruit stand/store area.
- **Be Picky with Your Picking.** Before you pluck that apple from the tree, make sure it's the one you want. We ask that you keep and pay for any apple that you pick. *Picking Tip: Lift apple gently toward the stem. Twist then pluck to avoid damaging the tree or fruit.*
- **Sample in the Store, Not in the Orchard.** We have a Sampling Table at the front of the store so you can try before you buy. Ask where to find your favorites and we'll show you on the map.
- **Wagon Use:** If you decide to use one of our wagons, please use them only for transporting baskets and not for playing. **Please return wagons to stand when finished so others may use them.**
- **Baskets:** Baskets are fun and add to the nostalgia of the visit. We just ask that parents select baskets and keep track of them in the orchard.
- **Stay Together.** Make the most of today's experience by staying together. Please do not allow children to venture into the orchard unattended. This is a great time to make FAMILY memories.
- **Be Kind to the Orchard.** The orchard is here for everyone's enjoyment so we ask that you:
  - Do not throw, smash or play with apples.
  - Do not climb, swing on, pull leaves off, break branches or damage trees

Do not hesitate to ask us for assistance at any time during your visit.

*By entering Sky Top Orchard, visitor assumes all risk and agrees that Sky Top Orchard shall not be held responsible for any accident or injury occurring on the premises.*

*Bees are a natural and necessary part of an orchard. Please be kind to bees you encounter and be aware in their presence.*

If you know your favorite apples, you'll want to make sure you visit when they are ripe. Use this table as a rough guide then watch our picking schedule page for updates. Ripening seasons are weather dependent but this guide shows typical opening dates for picking. Many varieties remain available throughout the season while others have a short season.

[skytoporchard.com/skytop\\_pickingschedule\\_page.htm](http://skytoporchard.com/skytop_pickingschedule_page.htm)

Variety	Start date*	Good For:
Ginger Gold	Mid Aug.	B
Asian Pear	Mid Aug.	E S P
Gala	Mid Aug.	E S P
Honey Crisp	Mid Aug.	E S P
McIntosh (Macs)	Mid Aug.	A
Cortland	Early Sep.	A
Red Delicious	Mid. Sep.	E
Golden Delicious	Mid. Sep.	E S
Jonagold	Mid. Sep.	A
Jonathon	Mid. Sep.	A
Candy Crisp	Mid. Sep.	E S P
Mutsu/Crispin	Mid. Sep.	A
Blushing Gold	Mid/Late Sep	P
Ida Red	Mid/Late Sep	A
Pumpkins	Early Oct.	P
Staymen	Early Oct.	A
Cameo	Early Oct.	SP
Red Rome	Early Oct.	S B
Winesap	Early Oct.	A
Granny Smith	Mid. Oct.	WK
Red Fuji	Mid. Oct.	A
Gold Rush	Mid. Oct.	SP WK
Pink Lady	Mid. Oct.	A WK
Arkansas Black	Mid. Oct.	WK

E=Eating S=Sauce P=Pies SP=Specialty A=All Purpose

WK=Winter Keeping B=Baking

If you want to share your visit with friends (or the world), you might find the following hashtags and names useful. These are common ones we use and mention.

#ApplePicking #NCApples #applecliderdonuts #FunInFlatRock

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