



# WELCOME TO THE ANTIQUE APPLE ORCHARD AT SMOLAK FARMS

In 1992, Michael Smolak planted Smolak Farm's Antique Apple Orchard to help preserve some of the varieties that are no longer grown for commercial harvest. The orchard consists of 20 varieties arranged in 7 rows with 3 groups of 10 trees in each row.

Sample and enjoy a few different varieties of apples, and see if our taste descriptions correspond with your experience!

# **APPLES BY ROW**

Macoun

Cortland

Mac Spur

Macintosh

Gala

Red Delicious

Row one begins along the side closest to the farm. There are 3 different varieties in seven rows. There are 17 rows of apples in Antique Orchard.

## ORCHARD RULES

- No climbing trees (limbs will break)
- No throwing apples
- Do not put apples in anything other than the bag that you have purchased.

All carriages and bags are subject to a check before leaving the orchard.

### Row

9

10 - 11

12 - 13

14 - 15

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17

1	Strawberry	Sops of Wine	Cox Orange Pippen
2	Sheeps Nose	Smokehoue	Rhode Island Greening
3	Fameuse Snow	Golden Russet	Winter Banana
4	Spitzenberg	Seek-no-Further	Red Stayman
5	Yellow Newton	Granny Smith	Lady
6	Pink Pearl	James Grieve	Lady
7	Northern Spy	Baldwin	Wolf River
8	Pound Sweet		



CHENANGO STRAWBERRY
Known by many as the Strawberry, it is excellent for everything from eating to cooking. It is long and conical, yellow with red stripés.

#### SOPS OF WINE

This is one of the oldest types of apples known, having originated in medieval England. Highly regarded for cooking, cider and apple wine. It is also a good dessert apple. The skin is dark crimson and the white flesh is flecked with red, giving it a

### COX ORGANIC PIPPEN

These are sweet and juicy with a delicate pleasing fragrance. They are considered to be the finest dessert apple grown. The fruit is medium in size and when fully ripe has a rich red color.

SHEEPNOSE
The fruit is large, oblong and resembles the snout of a sheep. The sweet yellow-fleshed fruit is good for baking and stores well.

#### SMOKEHOUSE

A yellow and firm apple when ripe, it is good for desserts and keeps well through March.

#### RHODE ISLAND GREENING

This apple is tart and grass green in color. They are highly prized for pies and are also good to eat.

FARMEUSE SNOW
First grown in Canada, 200 year ago, it is a medium to large red apple with white flesh. It is crisp, juicy and slightly tart.

#### GOLDEN RUSSET

It is yellow in color with bronze highlights. Theflesh is tasty and crisp. They were used for cider before there was refrigeration, for their ability to keep all winter.

### WINTER BANANA

Large with a clear pale yellow skin with a pinkish-red blush, its aroma is similar to a banana. They ripe in October and keep until April.

SPITZENBERG
Thomas Jefferson's favorite apple, these are gray speckled, orange-red apples used for eating, canning and cooking.

### SEEK-NO-FURTHER

A popular eating apple made famous by John Adams.

#### RED STAYMAN

A seedling of Winesap raised in 1866 in Leavenworth, Kansas. It is medium to large and greenish yellow with dull red and darker stripes. They have a distinctive wine-spicy flavor. No apple is higher rated for dessert quality and keeping quality.

### YELLOW NEWTON

This apple is so historically delicious that Queen Victoria lifted the tax on its import. Thomas Jefferson documented in his notes that he had planted grafts of this apple at Monticello. This apple is good for cider.

#### GRANNY SMITH

This popular apple came from a seedling grown from apples by Mrs. Thomas Smith of New South Wales Australia. It is large, bright green, crisp and juicy. Suitable for cooking, cider making, sauce and desert

This is a beautiful miniature red and yellow apple that is featured in Christmas decorations. They are juicy and tasty but very small so that ladies can maintain their waistlines!

#### PINK PEARL

This apple is rich in flavor with a fine-grained bright pink flesh. The skin is cream and pale green with a light crimson cheek. Its blossoms are crimson pink.

#### JAMES GRIEVE

Named for the man who planted the seed, it was first introduced in Edinburgh, Scotland about 1890. IT has a creamy yellow soft flesh and is juicy with a high vitamin C content. It is easily bruised and subject to preharvest drop.

### NORTHERN SPY

The Northern Spy Apple originated in New York in 1800. It is known as one of the best cooking apples. The Northern Spy stays crisp and juicy for long periods in storage. It has a tart aromatic taste.

WOLF RIVER
From Wolf River Wisconsin, these apples are often enormous, handsome apples covered with bright red and crimson skin. It is a good cooking apple also suitable for drying and apple butter making.

#### BALDWIN

This variety originated in Wilmington, MA in about 1750. These were largely replaced by the Macintosh apple.

### RED DELICIOUS

The Red Delicious apple originated as the Delicious apple in Peru, Iowa in 1880 as a yellow apple with a blush. It is a possible seedling of the Yellow Bellflower apple. It was bred to be shapelier and redder thus giving it the name change to Red Delicious. It has a crisp flesh and a sweet taste when eaten fresh.

#### CORTLAND

The Cortland Apple was developed in Geneva, New York in 1915. It is a cross of McIntosh and Ben Davis apples. It has snow white flesh that browns very slow, making it the best salad apple. Great for any cooking!

#### MCINTOSH

The McIntosh Apple was developed in Ontario, Canada in 1798. The McIntosh Apple has a distinct perfume-like aroma. The flesh is firm, juicy, and white. It is an all purpose apple great for eating fresh, cooking, cider, or juice.

#### MACOUN

The Macoun apple is a cross between McIntosh and Jersey Black apples from Geneva, New York. It was developed in 1909 and introduced in 1950. The Macoun is an excellent all-purpose apple, but this highly aromatic apple is best eaten fresh.

#### **GALA**

Gala Apples were developed by our friends across the pond in New Zealand. Since that time while some are redder and some still have the yellow and red color the quality is still present. Gala apples are considered another premium dessert apple with a mild flavor that even the pickiest eaters enjoy.

Special Hint \*Šmolak Farms red delicious apples look great for a long time so they are the favored choice for holiday centerpieces and wreaths.

