

14 PERRY PEAR VARIETIES FROM LONG ASHTON

Maturity	Name	Size	Crops	SG	Acidity	Tannin	Vintage Qualities	Notes
September	Hellen's Early [Sweet Huffcap]	Very large	Heavy	1045	0.55	0.18	Med acid, med – low tannin, average quality. Fairly precocious crops.	
	Judge Amphlett	Mededium	Heavy regular	1053	0.43	0.09	Medium acid low tannin, pleasant, light, average quality	
	Moorcroft [Stinking Bishop]	Large	Light - medium	1066	0.50	0.17	Medium acidity & tannin, astringent, usually good often excellent quality, high SG . Once very popular and widely grown. Difficult to shake, rots quickly.	
	Thorn	Small upright	Heavy	1062	0.57	0.10	Medium acidity, low tannin, can be very good quality.	
Early October	Blakeney Red	Medium large	Heavy	1056	0.42	0.13	Medium acid and tannin, pleasant average quality. Variable dependant on maturity	
	Hendre Huffcap	Large	Heavy regular	1059	0.37	0.08	Low – med acid, low tannin, pleasant light always good quality. A very useful variety.	
	Newbridge	Very large	Heavy regular	1046	0.20	0.07	Low acid low tannin, average quality.	
	Winnal's Longdon	Medium - large	Heavy Biennial	1058	0.57	0.11	Medium – high acidity, low tannin, good quality.	
Late October	Barnet	Med large	Slightly biennial	1052	0.28	0.09	Low acid & tannin. Pleasant, light, average quality. Fairly precocious crops	
	Brandy	Small – medium	Heavy Biennial	1069	0.44	0.12	Medium acid, low tannin, bland aromatic, dark. Average. Precocious cropping. High SG – local reputation!	
	Red Pear	Medium	Good Biennial	1055	0.29	0.09	Low acidity and tannin, average quality. Precocious cropping	
	Brown Bess	Medium – large	Heavy	1055	0.55	0.10	Medium acidity low tannin, average – good quality	
November	Butt	Medium – large	Heavy Biennial	1056	0.54	0.32	Medium – high acid and tannin, astringent, fruity. Usually good quality	
	Gin	Medium	V good Biennial	1052	0.42	0.15	Medium acid & tannin, average – good quality. Susceptible to magnesium deficiency.	

FLOWERING TIMES OF PERRY PEARS AT LONG ASHTON

Variety 1981	80% open flower	Full bloom
Cox	8/5	12/5
Yellow Huffcap	14/4	21/4
Thorn	14/4	16/4
Brandy	21/4	24/4
Red Pear	24/4	Early May
Barnet	22/4	27/4
Moorcroft	21/4	21/4

Full Bloom	1947	1948	1949
Michelin	16/5	7/5	10/5
Dabinett	16/5	11/5	16/5
Barland	11/4	14/4	18/4
Barnet	11/4	19/4	25/4
Blakney Red	13/4	-	19/4
Butt	11/4	12/4	14/4
Claret	11/4	12/4	-
Moorcroft	11/4	12/4	21/4
Oldfield	13/4	18/4	18/4
Pine	11/4	17/4	17/4
Port	11/4	19/4	24/4
Taynton Squash	11/4	13/4	17/4

FLOWERING GROUPS

* Triploids useless as pollinators

	Recommended varieties
Early Flowering	Hendre Huffcap Judge Amphett Newbridge *
Mid Season flowering	Blakeney Red Brown Bess * Butt Hellens Early Moorcroft Thorn Winnals Longdon
Late Flowering	Barnet Brandy Gin
Very late flowering	Red Pear

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PERRY PEARS GROUPING FOR BLOCK PLANTING

Harvest period	Varieties		
	Permanent trees	Filler trees	
	Large	Medium	Small
September	Moorcroft	Hellens Early	Thorn or Judge Amphet
Late September – early October	Newbridge	Hendre Huffcap Red Longdon	Thorn
Early – mid October	Winnals Longdon	Hendre Huffcap	Red Pear and Brandy
Late October	Brown Bess and Green Horse	Barnet	Brandy or Red Pear
Late October and November	Butt	Gin	Brandy or Turners Barn