

## Apple 'Agra'

A very early apple with good resistance to diseases, productive and winter-hardy. Recommended mostly for home gardens and organic orchards.

Cross of 'Quinte', 'Suislepp' and 'Revaler Birnapfel'. Breeder's rights: Institute of Horticulture, Latvia, 2002.

**Ripening:** very early, before 'White Transparent'. Storage 2 weeks, may shrivel at low moisture. Holds well on tree, in hot summers may quickly become overripe.

**Fruits:** medium or smaller, roundish to oblong conical. Ground colour green-yellow, over colour - red stripes and flush over most of fruit, distinct white lenticels. Some russet possible on cheeks. Skin firm, greasiness low. Flesh cream, medium firm and juicy, subacid, flavour good.

**Tree:** medium vigour, upright-spreading, branching is rather dense. Growth and fruiting habit resemble 'Discovery', but the tree is more upright and vigorous. Productivity high, but increase of production is rather slow. Tends to yield biennially. **Flowering:** medium early.

**Resistances:** good field resistance to scab, mildew, fruit rot. High winter-hardiness. **Recommended rootstocks and training:** dwarfing (M9, B9 etc.). Horizontal training of branches is recommended to obtain earlier heavy yields, along with summer thinning of shoots for better fruit colour.