



Apple 'Gita'

A disease resistant, hardy midseason apple for cool climate. Cross 'Liberty' x 'Melba'. Breeder's rights: Institute of Horticulture, Latvia, 2009.

Ripening: midseason (1.5...2 weeks before 'Lobo'), fruits hold well on the tree.

Storage: 2-3 months common storage, rather good ULO storage.

Fruits: medium to large (70...80 mm), medium uniform, roundish to oblong conical.

Skin: dark red striped or solid flush, ground colour green yellow; white bloom.

Flesh: cream, crisp, juicy, subacid, flavour very good. Firmness 6...8 kg/cm², Brix 11...14 %, titrable acid 0.6...0.85 %.

Tree: spreading, vigorous new growth with large, dark green leaves. Flattened tree shape is recommended. Winter-hardiness is very good. Good adaptation potential.

Yield: good productivity, rather regular, little need of thinning.

Flowering time: medium early.

Resistance: resistant to scab (Vf/Rvi6), medium – to mildew, fruit rot, *Nectria* canker.

Positive traits: Resistant to scab (Vf/Rvi6); winterhardy and vigorous; good dessert flavour; good storage for an early cultivar.

Drawbacks: Not always uniform fruit shape.