



## Apple 'Roberts'

*A disease resistant early apple with very attractive fruits.*

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**Ripening:** early, 0-7 days after 'Discovery'. Needs several pickings. Storage about 2 months.

**Fruits** large to very large, oblong conical or elliptic, very attractive. Skin firm, with dark red over-colour to 100% and strong bloom. Flesh yellowish, pink under skin, medium firm, crisp and juicy, subacid, aromatic, flavour good.

**Tree** medium vigour, upright-spreading, branching is rather low. Production early and good. Tends to yield biennially.

**Flowering** medium late.

**Resistances:** high resistance to scab (Vf/Rvi6), medium to mildew, fruit rot and *Phyllosticta* leaf spot. High winter-hardiness.

**Recommended rootstocks and training:** dwarfing (M9, B9 etc.). Horizontal training of branches is recommended to increase productivity, along with heading back of shoots for better branching.