

The Backyard Orchard

This demonstration garden shows homeowners how to add fruit trees, berries, and grapes to their landscape. It replicates the size of a typical back yard to demonstrate how much can be grown with proper planning. Fruits selected for the orchard are suitable for the Fort Bend County area and should provide fruit for the homeowner throughout the year. Many of our fruit trees will be available at our Fruit Tree Sale in February, 2020.

In our backyard we have a mix of 20 fruit trees, grapes, blackberries, flowers and herbs. Some strategies we have used to find space for many different fruits are: an espaliered fig tree, density planting of 5 citrus trees, and using pineapple guavas and pomegranates as hedges.

Also, before the Fruit Tree Sale in February, there will be an information program about the selection and care of all the fruit trees, shrubs, vines, berries and grapes offered in the sale.

We are always trying new things in our garden and encourage you to try too. We are here to help you.

The Backyard Orchard Team

Information Resources:

Fort Bend County Master Gardener Hotline
281-341-7068

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension – Fort Bend County
<http://fortbend.agrilife.org>

Fort Bend County Master Gardeners
<http://fbmg.org>

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Common Name	Scientific Name
Austin Pomegranate	<i>Punica granatum</i>
Calamondin	<i>Citrofortunella microcarpa</i>
Changsat #47	<i>Citrus reticulata</i>
Cherry of the Rio Grande	<i>Eugenia involucrate</i>
Cocktail Grapefruit	<i>Citrus x paradise 'cocktail'</i>
Fuyu Persimmon	<i>Diospyros virginiana</i>
Improved Meyer Lemon	<i>Citrus x meyeri</i>
Iranian Lemon	<i>Citrus limetta</i>
Kumquat, Meiwa	<i>Fortunella crassifolia</i>
Lemonquat, Dwarf	<i>Citrus x citrofortunella</i>
Minnie Royal Cherry, dwarf	<i>Prunus avium</i>
Pear Acres Home	<i>Pyrus</i>
Pear Baldwin	<i>Pyrus</i>
Pear Southern King	<i>Pyrus</i>
Pear Tennesse	<i>Pyrus</i>
Petite Negra Fig	<i>Ficus carica</i>
Pineapple Guava	<i>Feijoa sellowiana</i>
Plum Weeping Santa Rosa, Semi dwarf	<i>Prunus</i>
Red Silk Pomegranate	<i>Punica granatum</i>
Rio Frio Hardy Satsuma	<i>Citrus reticulata hybrid</i>
Rosenblum Blackberry	<i>Rubus</i>
Royal Lee Cherry, dwarf	<i>Prunus avium</i>
Salavatski Pomegranate	<i>Punica granatum</i>
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Common Name	Scientific Name
Ujukitsu Lemon	Citrus x ujukitsu
Victoria Red Grape	Vitis vinifera
Wonderful Pomegranate	Punica granatum

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FRUIT		OFFERED IN 2019 FRUIT TREE SALE
Apple	Sundowner	
Blackberries	Rosenblum	
Calamondin		
Cherry of the Rio Grande		
Cocktail Grapefruit		
Grapes	Victoria Red	
Lemon	Iranian	no
Lemon	Improved Meyer	yes
Lemon	Ujukitsu	yes
Orange	Satsuma Mandarin	
Orange	Satsuma Changsat #47	
Orange		
Orangequat		
Peach	August Pride	yes
Pear	Acres Home	yes
Pear	Baldwin	
Pear	Southern King	
Pear	Tennosui	yes
Persimmon		
Persimmon	Fuyu	yes
Persimmon	Weeping Persimmon	yes
Pineapple Guava		
Plum	Weeping Santa Rosa	
Pomegranate	Austin	
Pomegranate	Red Silk	yes
Pomegranate	Salavatski	yes
Pomegranate	Wonderful	yes
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