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Nut Varieties for Michigan

Prof. F. L. S. O'Rourke, nut tree specialist, points out that in order for nut varieties to perform well in Michigan and other northern areas, they must meet the following requirements:

1. Be relatively hardy against winter cold.
2. Remain dormant in spring until frosts are over.
3. Mature their kernels in cool and short summers.

The varieties of nuts now being recommended for Michigan are as follows:

Black Walnut—Allen, Sparrow, Snyder, Adams, Grundy, Wiard, Beck.

Persian (Carpathian or English) Walnut—Hansen, Colby, Fickes, Broadview, Neyer, Somers N₂W₄, Crath 1 and Crath D.

Heartnuts—Walters, Wright, Fodermaier, Mitchell.

Butternuts—Love, Craxezzy, Lingle.

Hickories—Harold, Wilcox, Abscoda, Kirkland, Lingenfelter, Glover, Wescheke.

Chinese Chestnuts—Nanking, Kuling, Meiling, Abundance.

Hazels (Filberts)—Winkler, Potomac, Reed, Bixby, Buchanan, Rush.

Peaches and Nectarines in Ohio

Ernest J. Downing, of New Madison, Ohio, reports on the response of his varieties to the severe winter of 1963 as follows: "We'll submit a more detailed report later, but we did have a few winter hardy trees. Among them were the Garden State nectarine, Ozark and some of the 'Prairie' series peaches. Redhaven and Georgia Belle came through among the best, while Fairhaven and South Haven fared quite badly, with Jubilee and Burbank July Elberta somewhere between."

Mr. Downing is anxious to find a source of the Pioneer peach, which he recalls as the hardiest in wood and bud of any commercial variety he has ever grown.