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Ambergem Clingstone Peaches

do well in Michigan, a finding later substantiated by other experiment stations in the middle west and east.

The failure of the California varieties made it necessary to search carefully for clingstone varieties originating in a climate more comparable to that of Michigan. This search revealed a variety, later named Ambergem, which originated at the New Jersey Experiment Station. This variety successfully withstood a series of tests in Michigan covering a period of fourteen years before it was finally accepted by fruit canners. In recent years about 100,000 trees of Ambergem have been planted in the state, and interest in the variety has spread to some other eastern and southern states.

#### Characteristics of Ambergem

The Ambergem peach ripens about two weeks before Elberta. The fruits are medium in size, being slightly elongated. A brilliant red against a golden yellow ground color makes Ambergem one of the most beautiful of peaches. The flesh has the firm texture of a good canning

clingstone peach, and after being canned is of excellent flavor. The variety is very hardy in bud. Its faults are medium to small size and somewhat more than average susceptibility to brown rot. However, trees that are well pruned, thinned and sprayed will produce fruits of satisfactory size and keeping quality.

**WILLAMETTE**, a new red raspberry, obtained by the Oregon station and the U. S. Department of Agriculture from a cross of Newburgh, a New York State station production, and Lloyd George, an English variety, is more productive, firmer, and larger than Cuthbert, a standard variety of many years. At Corvallis, Oregon, Willamette outyielded 79 other red raspberries and in frozen-pack tests proved one of the best.

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