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In Nebraska home fruit plantings, summer and fall varieties are most satisfactory because they require fewer spray applications than winter varieties to produce a quality crop of fruit. They also come into bearing at an earlier age.

**Planting Distances**


**Recommended Varieties**

**Summer**

Early Harvest  
Red June  
Yellow Transparent  
Lodi (Improved Yellow Transparent)  
Red Duchess  
Melba  
Milton  
Beacon

**Summer and Fall**

Early McIntosh  
Anoka

**Fall**

*Wealthy  
Cortland  
Golden Delicious
Crab Apple

Dolgo
*Whitney

*Very susceptible to cedar apple rust.

Winter varieties require frequent and late season spray applications to produce apples suitable for storage. Haralson is hardy throughout the state. In eastern Nebraska any of the standard varieties such as Jonathan, Delicious, Missouri Pippin, or Winesap can be grown successfully.

Pears

Pears are more resistant to drought than apples and will do well planted on high ground and in less fertile soil. When planted in rich moist soil, they are more likely to be damaged by Fire Blight.

Planting Distances


Recommended Varieties

Summer

Clapps Favorite
Bartlett

Autumn

Lincoln
Duchess
Flemish Beauty
Parket
Seckel
**Apricots**

**Planting Distances**

Plant 25-30 feet apart in southeast Nebraska.

**Recommended Varieties**

- Scout
- Moorpark
- Hungarian
- Golden Giant

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**Cherries**

Cherries can be grown successfully throughout the state. They come into bearing in about four years. Bush cherries are often used as ornamentals in the landscape planting or as a low windbreak around garden or yard.

**Planting Distances**


**Recommended Varieties**

**Standard**

- Early---Early Richmond
- Mid-season---Montmorency, Ostheim
- Late---English Morello, Wragg

**Dwarf**

- North Star
- Dwarf Rich
- Meteor
**Sweet** (southeastern Nebraska only)

- Black Tartarian
- Yellow Glass
- Kansas Duke

**Bush Cherries**

- Korean Bush Cherry
- Hansen Bush Cherry
- Nanking Cherry

**Peaches**

**Planting Distances**

Standard – 20 by 25 feet apart.

**Recommended Varieties**

**White**

- Champion
- Polly

**Yellow**

- Fairhaven
- Halehaven
- Redhaven
- Golden Jubilee
- Rochester
- Southaven
- Sunhaven

Recommended for eastern Nebraska and southern two tiers of counties. Very important to choose site, preferably on north or east slope.
Plums can be grown across the state and come into bearing at an early age.

In the western half of the state trees of both cherries and plums should be trained low. Do this by planting one-year-old trees and cutting them back to 12 inches. The branches then develop within 8-12 inches of the ground. This low branching protects the trunk from sunscald. In the eastern half, two-year-old trees may be planted but the lowest strong branch should be placed to the southwest to protect the trunk from sunscald.

**Planting Distances**

- Sandcherry hybrids -- 15 feet.
- Standard and Prune types -- 20-25 feet.

**Recommended Varieties**

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Grapes

**Planting Distance**

Eight feet apart in the row, rows 12 feet apart.
Recommended Varieties

Blue                Red                White
Moore Early         Brighton           Niagara
Fredonia            Caco               
Buffalo             
Concord             
Sheridan
Beta (for west central and western Nebraska)

Currants

Planting Distance

Plant 4-5 feet in the row, 6-8 feet between rows.

Recommended Varieties

Perfection
Red Lake

Gooseberries

Planting Distance

Plant 4-5 feet in the row, 6-8 feet between rows.

Recommended Varieties

Houghton
Oregon Champion
Pixwell
Downing

Raspberries

Planting Distance

3 1/2 feet by 7 feet
Recommended Varieties

Black
- Cumberland
- Morrison
- Black Hawk

Red
- Latham

Everbearing
- Durham
- Indian Summer
- September

Purple
- Sodus

Strawberries
Be sure to get virus-free plants.

Planting Distance

Matted Row System, 2 feet in the row x 3 1/2 feet between rows. Hill System, 1 foot by 1 foot.

Recommended Varieties

June-bearing
- Dunlap
- Robinson
- Premier
- Blakemore

Everbearing
- Ogallala
- Surecrop
- Superfection
- Streamliner
- Gem
- Red Rich