



Fruit and Vegetable Ripening Dates in Kentucky

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FRUIT

FRUIT	Approximate Ripening Date Central Kentucky*	FRUIT	Approximate Ripening Date Central Kentucky*
APPLES		APPLES (continued)	
Yellow Transparent	July 1	Freedom	Sept. 3
Lodi	July 1	Grimes Golden	Sept. 5
Early Red	July 1	Jonafree	Sept. 5
Monark	July 7	Jonathan (Ruby Jon)	Sept. 5
Pristine	July 10	Hokuto	Sept. 8
Duchess	July 15	Red Delicious	Sept. 10
Earligold	July 15	Golden Delicious	Sept. 15
Wealthy	July 20	Lysgolden	Sept. 15
Williams Pride	July 20	Smoothie	Sept. 15
Early Blaze	July 25	Macfree	Sept. 12
Wolf River	July 25	Jonagold	Sept. 15
Williams Red	July 30	Melrose	Sept. 20
Summer Champion	July 30	Melred	Sept. 20
Poly Edes	July 30	Empire	Sept. 20
Summer Rambo	July 30	Idared	Sept. 20
Dayton	Aug. 5	Sir Prize	Sept. 20
Mollie's Delicious.....	Aug. 10	Mutsu (Crispin)	Sept. 25
Redfree	Aug. 10	Fortune	Sept. 25
Dayton	Aug. 12	Northern Spy	Sept. 25
Paulared	Aug. 15	Stayman Winesap.....	Sept. 25
Tydemans Red	Aug. 15	Turley Winesap	Sept. 25
Paducah	Aug. 18	Rome	Sept. 25
McIntosh	Aug. 20	York	Sept. 30
Akane	Aug. 20	Nittany	Sept. 30
Ginger Gold	Aug. 20	Sun Crisp.....	Oct. 5
Ozark Gold	Aug. 25	Stellar	Oct. 5
Gala.....	Aug. 25	Enterprise	Oct. 5
Honeycrisp	Aug. 25	Braeburn	Oct. 5
Swiss Gourmet (Arlet).....	Aug. 25	Fuji	Oct. 10
Scarlet Gala	Aug. 30	GoldRush	Oct. 15
Senshu	Aug. 31	Black Twig	Oct. 20
Cortland	Sept. 1	Arkansas Black	Oct. 20
Spartan	Sept. 1	Granny Smith.....	Oct. 25
Liberty.....	Sept. 5		

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BLACKBERRY		PEARS (many varieties)	Aug. 15 - Oct. 15
THORNY	June 15 - July 10	Seckel.....	Aug. 25
THORNLESS	June 25 - Sept 10	Honeysweet.....	Aug. 25
BLUEBERRIES	(many varieties)	Maxine	Aug. 25
	June 10 - Aug 10	Moonglow	Sept. 1
CHERRY		Chojuro	Sept. 5
TART	June 15	Harrow Sweet	Sept. 15
SWEET	June 5	Potomac	Sept. 20
CURRENTS	June 15 - July 10	Magness	Sept. 25
GOOSEBERRIES	June 15 - July 10	Korean Giant, Olympic Giant, Starking Hardy Giant.....	Oct. 5
GRAPES		Kieffer	Oct. 10
(many varieties)	Aug. 15 - Oct. 15	PLUMS	
KIWI, HARDY	Sept. 15	(many varieties)	Aug. 1 - Sept. 30
PAW PAW	Aug. 20 - Oct. 1	Stanley	Aug. 25
PEACHES		RASPBERRIES	
Harbinger	June 25 - July 9	JUNE (Red, Black, Purple)	June 20
Sunhaven	July 9 - July 16	FALL (Red)	Aug. 1 - 15
Redhaven	July 20	STRAWBERRIES (many varieties)	May 17 - June 15
Harken	July 23 - July 30		
Reliance	July 23 - July 30		
Harmony	Aug. 9		
Cresthaven	Aug. 13		
Madison	Aug. 13		
Belle of Georgia	Aug. 16		
Redskin	Aug. 20		

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VEGETABLES

VEGETABLE	Ripening Date Central	VEGETABLE	Ripening Date Central
Kentucky*			
ASPARAGUS	Apr. 20 - June 1	LETTUCE, BIBB, LEAF	
BEANS, GREEN	June 20 - Oct. 1	(spring)	May 15 - July 1
POLE	July 1 - Oct. 1	(fall)	Sept 1 - Oct. 10
LIMA	July 1 - Oct. 1	MUSTARD GREENS	
BEETS	June 1 - Nov. 30	(spring)	May 25 - June 30
BROCCOLI		(fall)	Sept. 25 - Nov. 25
(spring)	June 1 - July 15	OKRA	July 15
(fall)	Oct. 1 - Nov. 15	- Oct. 1	
BRUSSELS SPROUTS	June 1 - Nov. 15	ONIONS	
CABBAGE		BULB (mature)	July 15 - Sept. 15
(spring).....	June 1 - July 30	GREEN	April 15 - July 1
(fall)	Oct. 1 - Nov. 15	PARSNIPS	Oct. 10 - Jan. 15
CABBAGE, CHINESE		PEANUTS	Sept. 15
(spring)	June 1 - July 15	PEAS	
(fall)	Sept. 15 - Nov. 15	ENGLISH	May 25 - June 30
CANTALOUPE	July 15 - Sept. 15	SOUTHERN	Aug. 1
CARROTS	June 15 - Nov. 30	PEPPERS, BELL	
CAULIFLOWER		(green)	July 15 - Oct. 15
(spring)	June 1- July 15	(red)	Aug. 15
(fall)	Oct. 1 - Nov. 15	PIMIENTO (red)	Aug. 15
COLLARDS		POTATOES, IRISH	July 1 - Oct. 30
(spring)	May 15 - July 1	PUMPKINS	Aug. 15 - Nov. 30
(fall)	Sept. 15 - Nov. 15	RADISHES	
CORN, SWEET	July 10 - Oct 5	(spring)	May 20 - June 20
CUCUMBERS		(fall)	Sept. 15 - Oct. 20
(pickling & slicing)	June 25 - Sept. 25	RHUBARB	June 1 - June 30
EGGPLANT	July 10 - Oct. 1	RUTABAGAS	Oct. 15 - Nov. 15
ENDIVE & ESCAROLE	Sept. 25 - Oct. 30	SQUASH	
GARLIC	July 15	SUMMER.....	June 10 - Oct. 1
KALE	June 1 - Dec. 30	WINTER	Aug. 15 - Nov. 30
KOHLRABI		SWEET POTATOES	Sept. 20
(spring)	June 10 - July 15	SWISS CHARD.....	May 15 - Oct. 30
(fall)	Sept. 15 - Nov. 1	TOMATOES	July 10 - Oct 15
TURNIPS	Sept. 25 - Dec. 20	WATERMELONS.....	Aug. 1 - Sept. 30

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