

OLIVES

Varieties

- **Arbequina:** *Currently available for spring and summer 2026.* Spanish variety of medium vigor, mainly used in the SHD planting system. Early production in 3rd year, fruit ripens October/November. Small fruit, but good yields of olive oil characterized by fruity and mild nature. Relatively cold hardy and widely adaptable.
- **Arbosana:** *Currently available for spring and summer 2026.* A medium to low vigor Spanish variety, mainly used in the SHD planting system. Heavy early cropping of olives, which produce a green type olive oil with high levels of polyphenols. Harvests October/November. Bushy growth habit.
- **Chemlali:** Large, vigorous tree. Small fruit. Self-fertile. This variety could be suitable for SHD planting systems if maintained properly. Origin: Tunisia.
- **Coratina:** Vigorous tree to 30'>. Beautiful gray-green color. Large fruit. Needs a pollinator. One of the most important Italian varieties, especially favored in the area of Puglia, the largest olive growing area of Italy. Also available in Argentina, Australia and Northern California. This olive has a naturally high level of polyphenols, which yield a robust tasting olive oil. Origin: Italy and Croatia.
- **Koroneiki:** A medium to high vigor Greek variety, well suited for the SHD planting system. Ripens earlier than Arbosana. Produces high quality green olive oil that is highly marketable. Low resistance to cold. Most popular variety in Greece.
- **Manzanilla:** A large tree, 25'-30', with purple-green skin. Manzanilla means little apple in Spanish. Known for a rich taste and thick pulp, it is a prolific bearer that is grown around the world. Origin: Spain.
- **Mission:** Mission trees can reach heights of 40' and 50'. They produce small fruit, typically around 4.1 grams (0.14 ounces). It has the lowest flesh-to-pit ratio (6.5:1) and greatest cold resistance of any commercial cultivar in California. Mission olives are harvested for table use from late October through November; for oil production, they are harvested between mid-December and February. Originated on the California Missions and is now grown throughout the state. They are black and generally used for table consumption. Origin: California.



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- **Picual:** Short, bushy tree with particularly gray leaves. It is generally medium sized to thick and weighs about 3.2 grams. The flesh-to-pit ratio is about 5.6. It ripens between the second week of November and the third week of December. The oil yield is very good and can sometimes be up to 27%. Self-fertile. Origin: Spain.
- **Picudo:** The drupe is black when ripe and it is characterized by being the second largest of those that are used to obtain oil. Its average weight is about 4.8 grams. The fruit-to-pit ratio is high, about 6.3. It ripens between the fourth week of November and the end of December. The oil yield is good, but not as good as Picual, with figures of around 20%. It is an excellent choice for table olives, both green and Californian style. Origin: Spain.
- **Todolivo I-15:** *Available only in trial amounts for the 2026-2027 planting season.* Todolivo I-15 is a modern olive cultivar developed by crossing Arbosana and Koroneiki. It exhibits medium-low vigor, compact growth habit and high branching density, making it well suited to super-high-density hedgerow systems and mechanical harvesting. The variety shows early bearing, high and consistent productivity, and good tolerance to drought and varied soil conditions. Fruits are medium sized with high oil content and favorable oil extraction efficiency.



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