

## **RED TOPAZ**

is a mutation of the variety Topaz

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Origin: Institute of Experimental Botany Prague (Strizovice), CZ

**Tree:** Diploid, moderately vigorous, upright to spreading, produces many fruiting spurs

**Blossom:** Mid-season, flowers heavily also on one year old wood

**Picking time:** End September, several days before Golden Delicious, fruits hold on tree well,

eating maturity after one month of storage

**Productivity:** Precocious in bearing, cropping is heavy and regular

Keeping quality: In natural storage until March

Fruit: Medium flat globose, has blushed bright red skin with nearly 100 % of the fruit

surface colored, slight russet in stem cavity, flesh yellowish, firm, crisp, very

juicy with very good taste

**Diseases:** Has resistance Vf to scab, low susceptibility to mildew, can be susceptible to

fire blight

**Comment:** Differs from the initial variety Topaz, in red fruit coloration which develops about

10 days earlier as a blush washed over almost whole fruit surface, this can be an advantage in warm, dry areas where the red coloration of

Topaz appears too late and / or is too weak

