

## **MERKUR**

(UEB 3531/3) was produced by crossing Topaz with Rajka Community Plant Variety Rights EU 31549 from 20.02.20012

Origin: Institute of Experimental Botany Prague (Střížovice) CZ

Tree: Diploid, medium to weakly vigorous, ramified, spreading, good branching with

many fruiting spurs

Blossom: Mid-season, some fruit thinning is recommended to prevent tendency

to alternate bearing

**Picking time:** With or shortly after Gala, eating maturity soon after harvest

**Productivity:** Precocious, good and regular **Keeping quality:** In natural storage until February

Fruit: Medium size, flat globose, stem medium long, skin smooth with weak

russeting in the stem cavity, ground color yellow, over color red-purple as solid flush with weakly defined stripes on 60-90% of fruit surface. Flesh orange-

yellow, medium firm, crisp, juicy, taste sweetly aromatic, very good

**Diseases:** Resistant to scab (*Vf*), tolerant to mildew

**Comment:** Attractive scab resistant variety with very good agreeably sweet eating qualities

