

IT'S APRIL! Treat yourself to nature's fast foodvitamin packed fruits like fresh peaches that you can just wash and eat. They're part of the Great Plate of Texas!

SUBJECT: Peaches CATEGORY: Fruit GROWING REGIONS: East Texas, Central Texas, North Texas WHERE TO FIND IT: In the produce section of your supermarket, and in trees all over Texas.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS:

Texas peaches are a stone fruit related to nectarines. cherries and plums. They're round with a soft, fuzzy, red and yellow skin.

WHAT TO KNOW:

Fruit not only tastes great, it's incredibly good for you. A medium-sized Texas peach has only 58 calories, and is a good source of vitamin A and C.

JOKE:

Q: Did you hear the joke about the Texas peach?

A: It was pit-iful!

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DID YOU KNOW?:

Now you know!

COMING I Basically, a nectarine is just a peach without the fuzz. CHEESE!



EXPLORER'S NOTEBOOK:

How much do Texans love peaches? Currently, there are more than one million peach trees in Texas. Since only half of those are on commercial farms, it means the rest are in the backyards of peach lovers all over the state. There's nothing sweeter than picking your favorite fruit fresh from the tree!

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