



Cherries were originally brought to Canada by English settlers. Through years of efforts at the University of Saskatchewan, a new selection of extremely hardy dwarf cherries is now available. The new 'Romance Series' cherries are hardy and sweet!

- Dwarf varieties, so they are compact plants with a small stature, easy for picking.
- Grown from tissue culture, not grafted stock.
- Self pollinating, but welcome bees to your garden to help transfer the pollen.
- Plant in full sun, and water well for the first 3 years.
- Late Summer cherry picking, with a three-week harvest period. (Late July to Early August)
- Enjoy the beautiful, fragrant, and showy flowers.
- Tolerate mild summers and cold winters. Hardy to Zone 3. (Grown in -40°C without damage).
- Prune only in late winter or early spring.
- Expect fruit 3 years after planting, producing maximum yields within 7 years.
- Wonderfully sweet taste! High sugar content up to 22 Brix. (Similar to grocery store sweetness levels.)
- Simply harvest by hand, shake the branches vigorously until cherries fall, or even hit branches together in two handfuls - which seems to be the easiest and quickest method. Be sure to use a tarp or create a catch frame to ease the collection of your fresh cherries.
- Some varieties are better for fresh eating, and others for processing ... If you plant each variety, you can enjoy fresh cherries from July to mid September! Time to pull out Grandma's famous cherry pie recipe.
- No artificial dyes are needed to enhance colour in your baking. Romance series cherries are naturally dark.
- Consume the fruit within 2 days, for freshest taste. Or process for use later - just wash, pit and freeze.
- Great for organic gardening!

Romance Series Dwarf Cherries:

CULTIVAR	CUPID	JULIET	ROMEO	VALENTINE
Colour	Dark Red / Black	Dark Red	Dark Red / Black	Medium Red
Uses	Fresh Eating & Processing	Fresh Eating (Best Flavour) & Processing	Fresh Eating & Processing (Best for Juice)	Processing (Tarts & Pies)
Height	2 metres	2 metres	2 metres	2.5 metres
Suckering	Low	Low	Low	Medium
Fruit Size	6.5 g	5.0 g	4.0 g	4.5 g
Brix Rating (Sugar Content)	19 Brix	20 Brix	22 Brix (Sweetest)	15 Brix (Most Tart)
Harvest	Late August to Early September	Early to Mid August	Late August to Early September	Early to Mid August
Characteristics	Largest Fruit Latest producer	Easy to remove pits	Very productive	Very productive