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Suggested varieties: *Early Prolific, Merryweather Damson, Victoria*

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Plant single stem or part-trained trees on suitable 'rootstock', eg dwarf 'Pixy' or larger 'St Julien A'. Choose well drained fertile soil in warm, sunny sheltered site

GROW



Stake, water, mulch. Train as 'bush' or 'pyramid shape' (evenly spaced stems; shorten shoots) or on wire framework, eg 'fan' (tie in main stems; shorten side shoots)

EAT



Pick when fully coloured and feels slightly soft. Grow varieties that flower together for fruit set, ie 'pollination groups'. Protect flowers from frost with horticultural fleece

Growing guide

Trickier

Average time to harvest

From 24 months

Equipment needed

Stakes, mulch (eg compost), fleece

When to prune

Spring and summer

Average plant size

200-300cm tall and wide

Family group to grow with

Rosaceae: apple, pear

Seed saving group

5 - Specialist or not applicable

Key nutritional content

Vitamin C

Spring Term			Summer Term				Autumn/Winter Term				
J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
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■ Sow indoors

■ Sow outdoors

■ Plant out/transplant

■ Harvest



Use cloche

2.5cm = 1 inch 30 cm = 1 foot