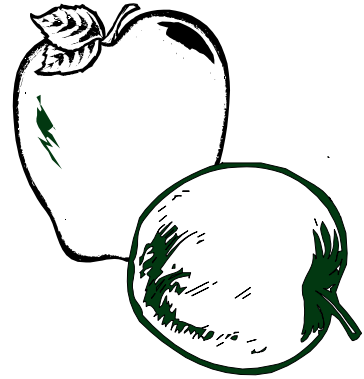


Welcome to the 2005 Festival of Fruit



Eyes on Apples!

California Rare Fruit Growers & North American Fruit Explorers

California Rare Fruit Growers (CRFG) encourages public and scientific interest in the preservation and use of plants that have edible seeds, fruits, leaves, stems or roots, and which are not locally a common "commercial" crop. Founded in 1968, CRFG has some 2700 members in 46 states and US territories, and in over 30 countries -- including backyard hobbyists, government and university researchers, and commercial growers. Twenty-two chapters serve the interests of members in California, Arizona, and Texas. For more about CRFG activities, the *Fruit Gardener* (the CRFG magazine), and many uncommon edibles, visit www.crfg.org.

North American Fruit Explorers (NAFEX) is a network of individuals devoted to the discovery, cultivation, and appreciation of superior varieties of fruits and nuts. Founded in 1967 by a small group of pomological hobbyists, NAFEX has more than 3,000 members -- who live throughout the United States and Canada as well as in many other countries. For more about NAFEX activities and *Pomona* (the NAFEX magazine), visit www.nafex.org or the NAFEX information table at this conference.