

PAX

Season: Early season
Main characteristic/s: Virtually spineless, good disease resistance
Breeder: NIAB EMR, UK

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- Virtually spine-free
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Cropping Season

Early season cropping, similar to Careless.

Fruit Quality

Pax fruit is well shaped, slightly bristly, dark red when fully ripe with a moderate dessert flavour. The average fruit size of Pax is 7.4g, similar to that of Careless (7.7g). Plant Characteristics

Although Pax produces occasional spines on young wood it is virtually spineless.

Disease Resistance

Pax is moderately resistant to gooseberry mildew (*Sphaerotheca mors-uvae*) on the plant and fruit and moderately resistant to leaf spot (*Pseudopeziza ribis*). Pax has not displayed symptoms of gooseberry vein-banding virus in the field but it has not been deliberately inoculated by grafting.

Use of the Variety

As the most spineless European red-fruited gooseberry, Pax will appeal enormously to soft fruit producers who supply the fresh and PYO markets.

Plant Supply

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