

Table 1. Results of pomegranate fruit tasting held at Water Conserv II, August 30, 2011. Cultivars are listed according to the percentage of GREEN ratings.

Cultivars	No. responses	Green, %	Yellow, %	Red, %	Brix
Salavatski	40	78	3	20	15.0
Sin Pepe	45	75	19	6	13.1
Medovyi Vahsha	47	68	23	9	14.5
Wonderful	39	51	44	5	13.6
Azadi	52	51	43	6	14.0
Afganski	45	47	40	13	14.0
Sakerdze	32	38	28	34	15.0
Grenada	43	33	40	26	13.1
Desertnyi	45	33	38	29	14.3
Vikusnyi	43	33	53	14	no data
Parfyanka	53	25	49	26	13.8
Kunduzski	37	11	41	49	14.6
Surh-anor	39	10	62	28	11.0
Kazake	Not included in the taste test.				15.3

Table 2. Fruit characteristics of pomegranate selections included in the fruit tasting held at Water Conserv II, August 30, 2011.

Cultivars	Fruit size	Peel color	Aril size	Aril color	Seed hardness	Flavor
Afganski	S	Yellow-pink	M	Red	H	Tart (not mature?)
Azadi	M	Yellow-pink	M	Cream	M	Mild
Desertnyi	M	Pink blush	M	Red	S	Mild; low acid
Grenada	M	Golden	M-L	Cream	S-M	Tart (not mature?)
Kazake	S	Yellow	M	Lt. pink Pink-Lt. red	H	Good
Kunduzski	M	Pink	M	red	M	Tart (not mature?)
Medovyi Vahsha	M	Lt. pink	L	Pink	S	Mild; low acid
Parfyanka	M	Lt. blush	M	Lt. red	S-M	Mild; sl. acid
Sakerdze	M	Pink-lt. red	VL	Lt. pink very lt. pink	H	Tart (not mature?)
Salavatski	S-M	Pink blush	S	pink	H	Tart (not mature?)
Sin Pepe	M	Lt. pink	M	Cream	S	Pleasant; low acid
Surh-anor	M-L	Golden	M	Cream	S-M	Tart (not mature?)
Vikusnyi	<i>No data</i>					
Wonderful	M-L	Reddish	M	Red	S-M	Pleasant

Table 3. WCII pomegranate Field Day tasting results, 23 Aug 2012

Cultivar	No. responses	Green, %	Yellow, %	Red, %	Brix
Girkanets	72	72	28	0	14.2
Surh-anor	60	60	33	7	
Sin pepe	43	56	35	9	
Wonderful	65	55	42	3	14.8
Azadi	73	52	45	3	
Al-sirin-nar	68	47	47	6	13.9
Sweet	63	43	54	3	13.0
Vietnam	69	41	58	1	
Vikusnyi	64	16	63	22	13.9
Sakerdze	64	5	22	73	
Afganski	47	0	30	70	
Medovyi Vahsha		Not rated			15.0

Table 4. Evaluator comments from tasting at WCII, 23 Aug 2012.

Cultivar	Comments from Green (G), Yellow (Y) and Red (R) ballots
Girkanets	G: Very good; Y: okay taste; not sour; good flavor; little bitter. R: No comments.
Surh-anor	G: Mild flavor, not too tart; seeds not too hard; hard seed; good flavor; hard seeds. Y: Large seeds, flavor poor; sweet, but hard seed. R: No comments.
Sin pepe	G: Good flavor; not real sweet; not real pomegranate flavor, but good. Y, R: No comments.
Wonderful	Y: Tart, Fair juice flavor; good, but texture issue.
Azadi	G: No comments; Y: Sweet, but needs more flavor; light on flavor. R: Bland.
Al-sirin-nar	G: No comments. Y: Almost a green flavor; R: Bland.
Sweet	No comments.
Vietnam	G: Good taste, seeds a bit crunchy; good flavor; hard seeds; juicy; Y: good flavor; seeds a bit hard; not real sweet; seeds large; some tartness; but juicy; good flavor; mildly sweet.
Vikusnyi	G: soft seeds; tart, but in a good flavor way; good flavor; seeds hard; good taste. Y: Too sharp in flavor; bit tart; good acidity but needs more sweetness; R: immature; tart.
Sakerdze	G: No comments. Y: Juicy, but tart. R: Sour; too tart.
Afganski	G: No ballots. Y: Tart. R: Hard seeds, tart; sour;

Table 5. Florida Pomegranate Association Annual Meeting tasting results, 14 Sep 2012*

Cultivar	Fruit source	No. responses	Green, %	Yellow, %	Red, %	Seed color	Seed hardness
Thomson	GA	28	86	11	4	v. lt. pink	Soft
Don Somner North	GA	27	78	19	4	v. lt. pink	M-H
Medovyi Vahsha	CA	19	74	21	5	Lt. red	VS
Azadi	CA+FL	22	73	18	9	Lt. pink	VS
Salavatski	CA	64	62	34	3	Lt. pink	Hard
Parfianka	CA	23	61	35	4	Lt. red	S
Desertnyi	CA	24	58	42	0	Lt. red	S
Fleischman	GA	27	56	15	30	White	VS
Molla Nepes	CA	25	37	33	22	Lt. red	VS
Parfianka	CA	27	37	48	15	Lt. red	S
Al-sirin-nar	CA+FL	18	33	50	17	Lt. red	H
Kaj-acik-anor	CA	24	29	50	21	Red	M-H
Girkanets	FL	4	25	50	25	Red	M-H
Wonderful	CA+FL	25	20	52	28	Red	M-H

* NOTE: Fruit are from California, Florida and Georgia. The two-letter symbol for each State indicates the source of fruit used for a given cultivar.

Table 6. Florida Pomegranate Association Annual Meeting tasting results, 13 Sep 2013*

Cultivar	Fruit source	No. responses	Green, %	Yellow, %	Red, %	Seed color	Seed hardness
Al-sirin-nar [R6]**	GA	12	75	17	8	Lt. red	Hard
Thomson	GA	12	75	25	0	v. lt. pink	Soft
Vina	CA	16	75	19	6		
Nikitski Ranni	GA	17	71	29	0	Lt. red	M-H
Surh-anor [R33]	GA	10	70	30	0	Lt. pink	H
Wonderful	FL	19	63	26	11	Red	M-H
Eve	GA	16	63	37	0		
Ambrosia	GA	15	60	33	7		
Myatadxhy	CA	19	58	32	10	Red	VS
Azadi	CA	14	56	37	7	Lt. pink	S
Christina	GA	17	53	47	0	Lt. pink	S-M
Vikusnyi	FL	21	52	34	14	Red	M
Afganski [R26]	GA	18	50	50	0	Lt. red	H
Eversweet	GA	16	50	50	0	Lt. yellow	S
Sin-pepe	CA	17	47	53	0	Yellow	VS
Eversweet	CA	17	44	38	18	Lt. yellow	S
Bala miursal [R25]	GA	8	38	62	0		
Azadi	FL	22	36	55	9	Lt. pink	S
Big Yellow [Vietnam]	FL	15	33	53	14	Lt. pink	M-H
Kazake [R30]	GA	12	33	58	9	Lt. pink	H

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Cultivar	Fruit source	No.	Green, %	Yellow, %	Red, %	Seed color	Seed hardness
JC	GA	14	29	57	14		
Jimmy Roppe	GA	9	22	56	22		
Kara bala miursal	GA	9	22	67	11	Lt. red	M
Lestor	GA	11	18	55	27		
Herbert	GA	14	14	57	29		
Don Sumner	GA	16	6	31	63		

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** The [R] numbers refer to the so-called RUSSIAN series of pomegranate selections in the collection at the USDA facility in Byron, GA.