

Understanding rootstocks

Our trees are grown on various root stocks. The information below will give you details about the likely size of your tree depending on the rootstock.







PEARS

Rootstock	QC	QA	PYC
Ultimate height	6-8 feet	8-10 feet	25-30 feet
	2-2.5 metres	2-3 metres	7.5 - 9 metres
Uses	Cordon	Fan	Standard
	Bush	Cordon	
	Central leader	Bush	
		Half standard	
		Espalier	
Fruiting in	4 years	4 years	6-7 years
Cropping	6-7 years	7 years	8-9 years
potential	30kg	50kg	120kg
Planting distance	6-10 feet	10 feet	25-30 feet
	2-3 metres	3 metres	8-9 metres
Soil/site	Requires fertile soil which does	Suitable for most medium to	Will suit less than ideal
	not dry out quickly.	heavy soils.	conditions. Grass can be
	Enjoys a thick mulching.	Enjoys a thick mulching.	grown up to the trunk
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Stake	Permanent	5 years	5 years

QA and QC are also used when growing quinces.