Florida Avocado Varieties

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**Size:**
- Small: 14 oz. or Less
- Medium: 15 oz. or 20 oz.
- Large: 21 oz. or larger

**Shape:**
- Oval
- Round
- Pear

**Surface:**
- Smooth
- Rough
- Ridges or "ribs"
- Speckled

**Stem Attachments:**
- Centered; offset
- Thin, medium, thick, cone

**Skin:**
- Dark green, green, light green
- Soft – green, purple, black, red

**Pulp:**
- Deep yellow, yellow, greenish yellow
- Fibers – none, dark
  (The pulp thickness is based on the size classification of the seed)

**Seed:**
- Large, medium, small,
  loose, moderately tight, tight
  (The seed will be in proportion for the size classification of the variety based on the size/weight of the avocado)

**Season:**
- Usually the two months of harvest.

**Other:**
- Any other characteristics
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Size: medium; Shape: pear;
Stem Attachment: puckered, centered and large;
Skin: green, slightly rough; Pulp: medium, thick;
Seed: medium to medium large, tight;
Season: July - August
Variety: Arue

Size: medium; Shape: pear; Stem Attachment: centered, medium thick; Skin: dark and much speckled, nearly smooth; Pulp: yellow, medium thick; Seed: medium large, loose; Season: May - August
Variety: BERNECKER

Size: large; Shape: oval; Stem Attachment: centered to slightly offset; Skin: dark green, smooth, has ridges; Pulp: yellow, medium thick; Seed: medium tight to slightly loose; Season: July - September
Variety: BETA

Size: medium large; Shape: slight neck, oval; Skin: green to dark, smooth texture; Stem Attachment: offset, thick; Pulp: yellow thick; Seed: medium, tight; Season: August - October
Variety: BLACK PRINCE

Size: Large; Shape: oval; Stem Attachment: offset;
Skin: Dark green, slight rough texture;
Pulp: medium thick, yellow; Seed: medium, tight;
Other: large majority have veins, large stem cavity & plugs easily;
Season: August - September
Variety: BLAIR

Size: medium; Shape: pear; Stem Attachment: centered, medium thin; Skin: rough, dark green; Pulp: greenish yellow; Seed: very large to large, tight; Other: thin short neck; Season: August - October
Variety: BOOTH 3

Size: medium; Shape: round fruit with slight neck; Stem Attachment: centered, medium thick; Skin: dark green, fairly smooth and thick; Pulp: thick and yellow; Seed: small tight; Season: October - December
Variety: BOOTH 7

Size: medium; Shape: rounded; Stem Attachment: centered, medium thick; Skin: dark green, slightly rough; Pulp: yellow, medium thick; Seed: medium tight & wide; Season: October - December
Variety: BOOTH 8

Size: small to medium; Shape: oval or egg shaped;
Stem Attachments: centered, medium;
Skin: dark green, slightly rough;
Pulp: yellow, thick; Seed: small tight;
Season: September - November
Variety: BROOKS LATE

Size: Large; Shape: round, blossom end off set; Stem Attachments: centered to medium; Skin: green, rough; Pulp: very yellow; Seed: large, tight; Season: December - February
Variety: CATALINA

Size: Large; Shape: long pear, round surface on one side, slightly flat on the other; Stem Attachments: offset; Skin: medium thick, smooth; Pulp: very yellow; Seed: medium tight; Season: August - October
Variety: CHOQUETTE

Size: Large; Shape: oval, ridges stem to blossom;
Stem Attachment: offset, thick; Skin: nearly smooth, dark green;
Pulp: thick, yellow; Seed: medium tight;
Season: October - January
Variety: COLLINSON

Size: large; Shape: oval and always has pin-hole blossom end;
Stem Attachments: offset, thick; Skin: dark green, smooth;
Pulp: thick yellow; Seed: medium tight;
Season: October thru December
Variety: DONNIE

Size: large; Shape: elongated pear, stem offset;
Stem Attachments: offset, medium; Skin: green, smooth;
Pulp: medium yellow; Seed: medium, slightly loose;
Season: May thru mid August
Variety: DUPUIS

Size: large; Shape: elongated pear; Stem Attachment: offset, medium thin; Skin: smooth, green; Pulp: medium, deep yellow; Seed: medium fair, slight or slightly loose; Season: June - August
Variety: GORHAM

Size: large; Shape: pear; Stem Attachment: offset, thick; Skin: dark green, fairly smooth, has ridges on top; Pulp: medium, thick yellow; Seed: medium, tight; Season: July & August
Variety: GUATEMALAN SEEDLING

Size: variable; Shape: variable; Stem Attachment: centered or offset, thick; Skin: rough, dark green, thick; Pulp: medium, thick; Seed: medium, tight; Season: September - December
Variety: HALL

Size: large; Shape: long necked pear;
Stem Attachment: offset, thick; Skin: dark green, smooth;
Pulp: thick and yellow; Seed: medium, tight;
Season: October - December
**Variety: HARDEE**

Size: large; Shape: pear; Stem Attachment: offset, thin; Skin: light green, will turn red when mature; Pulp: medium, yellow; Seed: pointed, medium, loose; Season: June & July
Variety: HICKSON

Size: small; Shape: oval; Stem Attachment: medium thick; offset; Skin: green, slightly rough, bruises easily from machinery; Pulp: thick yellow; Seed: medium, tight; Season: October & November
Variety: K - 5

Size: large; **Shape:** long-necked pear; **Stem Attachment:** offset, thin; **Skin:** light green and smooth with ridges; **Pulp:** yellow; **Seed:** medium, long pointed, slightly loose;  
**Season:** June - August
Variety: LEONA

Size: large; Shape: oval; Stem Attachment: offset, medium thick; Skin: smooth, shiny dark green; Pulp: medium, thick yellow; Seed: medium, slightly loose; Season: September - November
Variety: LORETTA

Size: large; Shape: oval; Stem Attachment: offset, thick; Skin: dark green, slightly rough; Pulp: yellow and very thick; Seed: very small, tight; Season: August & September
Variety: LULA

Size: medium; Shape: pear, short neck; Stem Attachment: centered, thin; Skin: dark green, slightly rough; Pulp: greenish yellow, thin; Seed: tight to slightly loose; Season: October - January
Variety: MARCUS

Size: very large (can weigh up to 4 lbs.); Shape: oval; **Stem Attachment**: centered, thick; Skin: dark green, with ribs, slightly rough; Pulp: yellow and very thick; **Seed**: small tight seed for its size; **Season**: September - November
Variety: MELENDEZ

Size: medium large; Shape: pear and long neck; Stem Attachment: centered, medium thick to thick; Skin: dark green, slightly rough; Pulp: yellow, medium thick; Seed: medium tight; Season: October - December
Variety: MIGUEL

Size: large; Shape: oval; Stem Attachment: offset, medium thick; Skin: dark green with shades of green streaks stem to blossom; Pulp: yellow, medium thick; Seed: medium tight; Season: July - August
Variety: MONROE

Size: large; Shape: oval; Stem Attachment: offset, thick, blossom end squared off; Skin: dark green to green, slightly rough; Pulp: yellow, thick; Seed: small, tight; Season: November - January
Variety: NADIR

Size: small, medium to slightly large; Shape: egg shaped pear; Stem Attachment: offset, medium thick; Skin: dark green, fairly rough; Pulp: light yellow or yellow thick; Seed: small, tight; Season: June - September
Variety: NESBITT

Size: large; Shape: pear; Stem Attachment: centered, medium thin; Skin: dark green, slightly speckled and rigid; Pulp: deep yellow, medium thick; Seed: medium, slightly loose;
Season: July - August
Variety: PETERSON

Size: small to medium; Shape: round to slightly oval; Skin: light green to greenish yellow, very smooth; Stem Attachment: centered to slightly offset; Pulp: medium, yellow; Seed: medium large and broad, tight to slightly loose; Season: July-September
Variety: PINELLI

Size: large; Shape: round to oval, flat on one side;
Stem Attachment: centered, medium thin;
Skin: smooth; Pulp: yellow, medium thin;
Seed: slightly tight, bell shaped, medium large;
Season: July - August
Variety: POLLOCK

Size: large; Shape: pear; Stem Attachment: centered, medium; Skin: thin green, smooth; Pulp: deep yellow, medium thick; Seed: medium, tight to loose; Season: June - August
Variety: REED

Size: small to medium small; Shape: oval; Skin: dark green, white/yellows dots, very slightly rough; Stem Attachment: centered, thick; Pulp: medium thick, yellow; Seed: medium to small, tight to slightly loose; Season: November–February
Variety: RUSSELL

Size: large; Shape: very long, thick necked pear; Skin: green and smooth; Pulp: thick at neck, yellow; Stem Attachment: thin centered; Seed: medium, long, pointed, slightly loose to tight; Season: July, August
Variety: SEMIL 34

Size: medium large to medium; Shape: pear;
Stem Attachment: centered, medium to thick;
Skin: dark green, slightly rough, some have veins;
Pulp: light yellow to greenish yellow, medium thick;
Seed: medium, tight;
Season: October - December
Variety: SEMIL 43

Size: medium to large; Shape: oval; 
Stem Attachment: offset, thick; 
Skin: dark green, slightly rough, thick; 
Pulp: yellow, medium to medium thick; 
Seed: medium small to medium, tight; 
Season: November - January
Variety: SIMMONDS

Size: large; Shape: thick necked pear;
Stem Attachment: offset, thin;
Skin: green to light green, smooth;
Pulp: yellow, medium thick; Seed: medium, loose;
Season: June - August
Variety: SIMPSON

Size: large; Shape: pear, slightly puckered;
Stem Attachment: centered, thick;
Skin: light green, shiny smooth;
Pulp: light yellow, medium thick; Seed: medium, tight;
Season: September - October
Variety: TONNAGE

Size: medium; Shape: pear with neck; Stem Attachment: centered, thin and always has a slight indentation like a V; Skin: dark green, slightly rough, some yellow streaks; Pulp: moderately thin, greenish yellow; Seed: medium large, loose; Season: August - September
Variety: TOWER II

Size: medium large; Shape: slight neck, pear;
Stem Attachment: offset, medium thin;
Skin: green to light green, smooth; Pulp: yellow to deep yellow, medium thick; Seed: medium large, tight;
Season: July - September
Variety: WALDIN

Size: medium; Shape: round, flat on one side; Stem Attachment: offset, thin; Skin: green to light green, smooth; Pulp: deep yellow and thin; Seed: large, tight; Season: August - October
Variety: WEST INDIAN SEEDLING

Size: medium to large; Shape: variable;
Stem Attachment: centered or offset, thin; Pulp: variable;
Skin: smooth, light green, purple or red;
Seed: medium usually loose;
Season: July - August