

Chiltern Ridge Apple Juice



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Charity and School Information Sheet

Quantities

Generally 1 mature big old fashioned tree can produce around 90-120 bottles of apple juice. Apples mature anytime between late August and late November. It all depends on the type of apple. The browner the pip, the riper the apple – peak time is usually the middle of September through to the end of October.

Eating apples make sweeter juice and cooking apples make sharper juice. You can mix, but bare in mind that children generally prefer sweeter juice. A mix of 3 eaters to 1 cooker is good.

Find trees

Ask parents and find out who has apple or pear trees. Not all people want to pick the apples but are happy to give them to you.

Find pickers

Not all “pickers” have trees to pick from and you can coordinate the 2

Storage and condition of apples

Please do NOT collect in plastic bags as the apples sweat and start to rot very quickly. Boxes are best. We also provide large netting sacks at a small cost. Do NOT pick rotten apples as they will “infect” the rest quickly. Windfall is ok as long as they are not brown.

Choose a picking date

Pick a date where everyone collects the apples and let us know. Coordinate a drop off area, preferably under cover – the school car park is usually good. Then designate 1 or 2 people to drop the apples to us the latest 1 day after the picking date and we contact you when the juice is ready. We are open 7 days a week 9am to 6pm for drop off and pick up.

Turn Around

We normally make the juice within 3 days from drop off. Once the juice is ready we ask you to come and pick up quickly as we do not have a lot of storage. Once bottled the juice lasts for 18 months and only need refrigerating once opened.

Labels

Some school choose school logo others have a little competition. Make sure the colours are strong as they otherwise won't come out well on label.

Pricing

We charge £1.75 for our service and we recommend a selling price of £2.80 - £3.50 per bottle

For further information please check our website

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Many thanks,

Evert and Franca Donker