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❖ RETAIL CATALOGUE ❖

ALVIN FRUIT & NURSERY COMPANY

Established 1892. Incorporated 1900

Wholesale *and* Retail Growers of

Fruits *and* Fruit Trees
and Plants

ALGOA, TEXAS

To Our Friends and Patrons:

We wish to thank all our friends for the liberal patronage received in the past and to assure them of the same prompt and careful attention to their future orders.

Increased business gives increased facilities and we are now better able than ever before to serve you.

BUSINESS BRIEFS.

Shipping season opens about November 20th and continues till **March 1st.**

Strawberry, Blackberry and Dewberry plants ready for shipment from October 1st to December 1st. Our special plant list is issued every fall and we will gladly send a copy if you will ask for it.

Note—We prepay all charges on orders of \$3.00 or more.

Safe arrival of goods guaranteed, but with the condition that complaint be made at once upon receipt of the goods.

While we guarantee all goods to be true to name and just as represented, it is distinctly understood that we will not be responsible for an amount greater than the cost of the tree or plant. Unless the goods are accepted on these terms they must be returned at once.

We don't employ agents. In this age of railroads and quick mails it is unnecessary for planters to pay big prices to agents for goods, and when you buy from an agent you must pay big prices or get poor goods. It costs an agent at least \$3.00 per day for expenses and you may be sure the nursery-men don't pay this unless he gets it back by adding it to the cost to the planter.

Directions for shipping should be very plain.

Shipping facilities here are the best; rush orders are, as a rule shipped day received.

Remittances should be made by postoffice or express money order or by draft on New York, Houston or Galveston. However, where it is inconvenient to secure these forms of exchange, we will accept personal checks.

Keep posted on fruit and truck markets by subscribing for the *Kansas City Packer*, Kansas City, Mo., the best paper of the kind published in the United States. Price, \$1.00 per year; remit direct to them.

Wholesale Orders: We have to offer over five million trees and plants and make a specialty of supplying dealers and large planters. If you wish over 300 trees send list, showing varieties and grades wanted, and we will give you lowest prices.

Associations will be given very low rates for the benefit of members.

Pears

150,000 TREES IN STOCK.

Prune off all broken roots and cut the tops back to about 24 inches, set in well prepared soil 20x20 feet, tramping the earth firmly around the roots. We list only the best but will be pleased to have your orders for any that may have special value in your section.



Kieffer.

Garber—Somewhat resembles Kieffer in size, but is more round and not so good as a shipper. Very juicy and fine for sauce. Ripens just after Le Conte.

Kieffer—Best commercial pear in the south; very prolific, regular bearer of large fruits that stay on the trees till frost. Hard and will ship anywhere. Fine for home use and as a money maker for market.

Le Conte—Really the only one of the Chinese strain of pears having value as a fruit to be eaten from the tree. Large to very large; pyriform in shape; skin smooth and pale yellow when ripe.

Among the other varieties we can supply are: Alamo, Bartlett, Magnolia, Early Harvest and many others.

Peaches

1,500,000 JUNE BUDS; 2,000,000 ONE AND TWO YEARS OLD.

After the Texas girl the Texas peach is the finest thing in the world. While there are many hundreds of varieties of peaches, in the following list will be found the cream of the lot. Plant 18x20 feet, on well prepared land and give clean culture. Remove all branches and cut back to about 24 inches. Date of ripening is about the average in the Texas peach belt.



Elberta.

Alexander—May 20th to 25th. Probably the most reliable early peach. Large, very highly colored and juicy.

Arp Beauty—Ripens just ahead of Elberta. In appearance is much the same. Commercial fruit growers are planting it in quantities. Free.

Amelia—Very large, light yellow shaded with crimson. Sweet, juicy and melting. Free. Ripens July 1st.

Bell's October—Large, yellow freestone, with red cheek. Originated in Texas. October 1st.

Carman—Prolific bearer and profitable for market. Creamy white with deep blush. A freestone that all should plant. Early July.

Chinese Cling—Probably the best large clingstone we have in July. Very large, white with sometimes a little red. Rich and vinous.

Crawford's Early—One of the good old standbys; ripens early in July and should be more largely planted for home use.

Crawford's Late—Ripens late in July. Large, yellow fleshed and highly colored. Both the Crawfords are freestones.

Elberta—The peach that is making Texas famous. Ripens from late June to middle of July. Very large, yellow fleshed freestone. Bright red cheek.

Emma—Just after Elberta. Carries well and has special market value.

Family Favorite—A fine, red cheeked freestone that bears full crops nearly every year. Very prolific and should be in every orchard. July 1.

Governor Hogg—Like its namesake, large with red cheeks and very popular with the people. Free, and ripens early in July.

General Lee—One of the best clings we have. Fruit large, creamy white, with just a little red. Quality the best. July 10.

Greensboro—Very early for so fine a peach, ripening June 1. Prolific and valuable for home use and local market.

Guinn—A new sort that is attracting much attention and promises to be valuable for commercial planting. June 15. 50c each.

Gibbons October—One of the few late peaches it will pay to plant in the south. Ripens late in September. Tree very vigorous; fruit free and good.

Heath—A late August cling well known to all old Texans. Plant a few.

Honey—A favorite still and will remain so. The sweetest peach in the world. Free and ripens in June.

Japan Dwarf Blood—An early blood freestone that has great merit in the western and southwestern country. Of good quality and ripens with or before Alexander.

Mamie Ross—Semi-cling, free when fully ripe. One of the most valuable sorts for market and home. Bears regular and full and will please you. July 20.

Mixon Free—One of the finest eating peaches we have. July 15.

Mixon Cling—Except that it's a cling it's just like Mixon Free and ripens at the same time.

Mountain Rose—Prolific freestone, ripening late in June. Valuable.

Rivers—Large, red-cheeked freestone, ripening the middle of June. Prolific and regular bearer.

Slappy—Of great promise for commercial planting in the south. Earlier than Elberta.

Thurber—Medium sized white peach, with red cheek. Very sure berr and should be planted in every family orchard. Free. July 10.

Triumph—Very prolific, early freestone, with deep red skin. Bears full every year and fruit has fine flavor. May 20.

SPECIAL LIST OF PEACHES FOR SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST TEXAS:

Angel—Large, slightly pointed. Of most exquisite flavor and a perfect free. Bears young and ripens about June 10.

Bidwell's Early—A medium sized white peach with a dash of crimson. A clingstone ripening late in May.

Bidwell's Late—A very early cling of great merit. Ripens May 1st and bears regular crop of fine juicy fruit.

Cabler's Indian—An attractive, mottled fruit of medium size with a rich, acid flavor. Cling. July 10.

Everbearing—Claimed to ripen fruit from July 1st to September. We have never fruited it, but would advise setting a few for home use.

Florida Crawford—Valuable freestone of good quality. Yellow cheek and rich juicy meat. July 10th.

Onderdonk—A reliable freestone that it will pay to plant. July 15th.

Pallas—Most valuable of the Honey seedlings. Bears in nursery row every year. Medium size, round freestone. Finest flavored peach we have except Honey. Don't fail to include some in your order. June 5th.

Waldo—Except that it ripens two weeks earlier this peach is much like the Pallas; both are vigorous growers and never fail to fruit. Waldo and Pallas should be in every orchard in the lower country.

In addition to the above list we have an assortment that includes almost every sort grown in the south. Write for what you want, if not in the above list.

Plums

150,000 TREES TO OFFER.

Plant same as peaches and give careful culture. While there are hundreds of varieties of plums the long lists only serve to confuse the planter. There are a few varieties so far ahead of all others that it is needless to consider more. All you want is the best and they will be found in the following list:

Abundance—June 5th. Strong, rapid grower, bearing full crops of large red fruits with a delicious flavor.

Botan—Same as above.

Burbank—Surest bearer of all the Japan plums. Tree of spreading habit and hard to keep in shape. Firm, deep, red fruit; larger than Abundance. June 25th. Don't fail to order some Burbank plums.

El Paso—A medium sized red plum of great value owing to its being a sure and regular bearer. July 1st.

Excelsior—One of the best on the coast. Large purple fruit with sweet meat.



Golden Beauty—Small, yellow; prolific, sure bearer. Very attractive. August 20th.

Gonzales—Introduced by Mr. F. T. Ramsey. The Gonzales is proving one of the best plums we have. A regular and sure bearer of fine, highly colored fruit, with extra fine flavor. Valuable for home and market. June 15th.

Kelsey—Probably the most attractive of the Japans. Very large, heart shaped and red when ripe. August 15th.

Wickson—Finest flavored plum we ever grew; delicious as a drop of nectar. Tree upright, vigorous grower and even without the fruit would be valuable as an ornament. Bears full every year. July 20th.

We have about forty other varieties and will care for your orders.

Apples

The growing of apples is fast assuming commercial importance in this state and the territories. We have 400,000 fine trees and are prepared to supply the demand in small or large lots.

Arkansaw Black—Vigorous growing tree bearing large, deep, red fruit.

Astrachan—A standard. Large, bright red. June 25th.

Ben Davis—Too well known to need description from us. A money maker for commercial planting. September to October.

Early Harvest—Large, yellow, juicy. Plant some. July.

Jonathan—One of the most valuable market sorts. Fine eating. September.

Horse—A large striped apple having great value in southern sections.

Red June—Grows in clusters and bears well. June 15.

In addition to the above list we can supply all commercial sorts in any quantities.

Apricots



Cluster—Of Texas origin. The best for all sections. Ripens in June.

Moorpark—Large and productive. June.

Figs

50,000 TREES IN NURSERY.

We have the largest commercial orchard of figs in the south and make a specialty of growing the trees. Every home should be supplied with this fruit.

Brunswick—Large, purple; ripens late; is often froze to the ground.

Celeste—Celestial. The well known blue fig that ripens and almost dries on the tree.

Lemon—Medium sized, yellow fig. Falls to mature much fruit.

Green Ischia—Green, with red meat. Rapid grower and fine fruit, but don't bear enough to pay.

Magnolia—Most profitable fig grown; bears full every year in the nursery row. We planted over 5,000 one-year trees in orchard last March and these trees are now full of fruit and we have been gathering ripe figs from them for over thirty days. Some of the trees have over 100 fruits on at this writing (September 28, 1904). Fruit is large, white or pale green, and as a rule has flat side.

Don't fail to plant a few Magnolia figs.

with yellow figs
Cherries

100,000 FINE TREES.

Grown mostly for the wholesale trade further north; so far they have failed to do well in South Texas.

Varieties—Early Richmond, English Morello, Montmorency and others.

Japan Persimmons

10,000 TREES GRAFTED ON NATIVE ROOTS.

Costata—Hangs on the tree till frost; keeps well after being pulled. Yellow fleshed and nearly seedless. Fine when fully ripe.

Hachiya—Very large, oblong with sharp point. Color reddish yellow with dark blotches. Vigorous, shapely tree and good regular bearer.

Hyakume—Extra large, almost round, yellow skin and dark brown; sweet crisp meat. One of the best market sorts.

Okame—Very sure, prolific bearer of medium to large fruits.

Triumph—Distinct in growth and appearance of wood; tomato shaped. medium sized and of best quality.

Tane—Nashi. Very large, round, with smooth skin, which is bright red when fully ripe; yellow seedless flesh, and the best of all when fully ripe.

Zengi—Smallest and best; fruits all the time and every time; round, yellow, with dark meat of fine flavor.

In addition to the above there are several other sorts of merit, namely: Yemon, Yeddo-Ichi, Tsuru, Dia Dia Maru.

Quince

Very valuable for use in preserving, and should be in every orchard.

Varieties—Meech and Orange.

Grapes

This fruit should be planted much more extensively than it is. While we offer many varieties we only describe a few of the best.

Concord—The standard for many years; successful over a wider range of territory than any other. Large, compact bunches of blue-black grapes with a flavor all their own. July.

Herbemont—Rapid growing, long-lived vine bearing large clusters of medium sized black grapes that are fine when fully ripe. July.

Moore's Early—Best early grape we have; ripens in June; large black fruit.

Niagara (White Concord)—Large white fruit of good quality. Succeeds where others fail. Plant some without fail.

Pecans

From Selected Seed.

The growing of pecans is assuming great proportions and proving profitable. The trees we offer are the best seedlings.

Japan Walnuts

The Japan walnut is a fine symmetrical tree, and after the fourth year produces regular crops of nuts. They are valuable for home use or commercial planting.

Oranges

(Satsuma on *Trifolata*).

Hardy oranges on hardy stocks. When budded on this stock the Satsuma has stood a temperature 10 degrees lower than any other orange. It can be safely planted in every yard in the South. Fruit is medium in size, somewhat flattened at the ends; flesh is fine grain, tender, juicy and

delicious with a flavor all its own. On the coast and in the Brownsville country this orange will be very profitable for commercial planting.

Dugat—A very hardy round fruit that has considerable merit.

Kumquats—A cross between a lemon and orange and the sweetest morsel ever eaten. Hardy, and will fruit out doors in the South. Makes a fine pot plant, the yellow fruit hanging on the bush till late in December.

Oranges

(Japan Hardy Orange).

Very thorny and fine for hedge. After third year produces full crops of small fruits that are mostly seed and of no value for eating.

Blackberries and Dewberries



Dallas Blackberry—The best there is; very prolific; sure bearer and of fine flavor; planted for home use and commercial crops.

Austin Dewberry—Very large, but not a good shipper.

Rogers Early—The most profitable dewberry ever introduced; bears full annual crops of fine, well flavored fruit that will carry further than any other dewberry. During the past few years we have sold hundreds of thousands of the plants for commercial uses.

Strawberries

Every year in September we issue a special plant list giving low prices on small fruits for delivery before December. A copy will be mailed on request. In this list varieties are described. For home use plant Mitchell's Early; for long distance markets plant Klondyke, Excelsior, Lady Thompson, Noonan and Hoffman.

Roses



Over 100 varieties, all budded or grafted and field grown. The finest in the world, and not to be compared with cheap greenhouse stuff. We only describe a few of the best.

American Beauty—Rapid growing bush. Brilliant red flowers.

Bon Salene—Free blooming, vigorous. Deep rose color.

Bride—White, with faint blush. One of the best white teas.

Clothilde Soupert—Large, pure white with pink center. Very double and continuous bloomer.

Catherine Mermot—About the finest and most popular pink rose.

Duchess de Brabant—Beautiful shell pink with exquisite perfume makes this one of the best for southern planting. Buds extra fine.

General Jacqueminot—One of the best of the brilliant red roses.

Kaiserin Augusta Victoria—Perfect buds, bloom snow white; rich perfume.

La France (White)—Unexcelled for beauty and fragrance.

La France (Red)—Deep red; regular bloomer.

Louis Phillippe—Rich, velvety crimson; large vigorous bush that blooms all the time and will please you.

Meteor—Dark red, free bloomer; extra fine.

Perle de Jardins—One of the finest yellow roses. Free bloomer; fine flowers.

Winnie Davis—Queen of the South. Finest pink buds we have ever seen; bears almost every day in the year.

Climbing Roses



Crimson Rambler.

Crimson Rambler—For bunch effect this rose gives grand results; its rich growth of glossy foliage makes it an ornament without the profuse clusters of deep red flowers that adorn it for about six weeks each year.

Seven Sisters—Well known white climber.

Baltimore Belle—Pale blush with carmine stripes.

Marechal Neil—Deep yellow; very double; finest perfume; blooms the year around. We consider this the finest rose grown.

Climbing Meteor—Vigorous climber; deep red flowers; blooms all the time. Best of the red climbing roses.

Arbor Vitae—American Chinese and Rosedale.

Jasmine—This beautiful evergreen should be in every yard from Red River to the Gulf. The waxen star-shaped flowers with their wonderful fragrance will well repay for the attention required.

Magnolia—The flower of the South. Hard to transplant, but amply repaying the effort.

California Privet—Very valuable for hedges; can be trained in any desired shape.

Shade Trees

Nothing adds so much to the appearance of the home as well cared for shade trees.

Ash—Too well known to need describing.

Cottonwood—One of the best rapid growing trees we have.

Lombardy Poplar—Rapid grower; tall pyramidal; admired greatly.

Texas Umbrella—Finest shade tree known. With care the tree will make a spread of fifteen feet in one year. A most beautiful shaped tree, making a very compact head without pruning.

Mulberry—Valuable for chicken yards and shade.

Hicks—This is the most valuable sort and makes the quickest growth.

Hardy Shrubs and Climbing Vines

Althea (Rose of Sharon)—This is one of the most desirable shrubs for hedge or for individual plants. Profuse bloomer all summer; large pink, white and striped flowers.

Crape Myrtle—Produces large clusters of purple flowers; very ornamental.

Wisteria—Chinese climbing; valuable for training on outbuildings, summer houses, etc., very rank grower.

Honeysuckle—In the far South an evergreen; rapid grower and continually bears clusters of fragrant flowers.

Oleander—One of the South's favorite flowers; rapid grower and blooms the first year. The red flowers are preferred.

Price List

These prices are net cash. When the order calls for goods to the amount of \$3.00 we prepay express charges to any point in Texas. If the order amounts to \$5.00 we prepay express to any point east of the Rocky Mountains.

Peaches

	Each	10	100
June buds, 1 to 2 feet.....	\$0 07	\$0 50	\$3 50
June buds 2 to 3 feet.....	08	60	4 50
June buds, 3 to 4 feet.....	09	75	6 00
One year, 3 to 4 feet.....	10	75	6 00
One year, 4 to 5 feet.....	12	1 25	8 00
One year, 5 to 6 feet.....	15	1 50	11 00
Two year, 5 to 7 feet.....	20	1 75	14 00

Pears

One year, 2 to 3 feet.....	10	1 00	8 00
One year, 3 to 4 feet.....	15	1 50	11 00
One year, 4 to 5 feet.....	20	2 00	14 00
One year, 5 to 7 feet.....	25	2 50	15 00
Two year, 5 to 7 feet.....	25	3 00	17 00

Plums

One year, 2 to 3 feet.....	08	75	5 00
One year, 3 to 4 feet.....	10	1 00	7 00
One year, 4 to 5 feet.....	13	1 50	10 00
Two year, 4 to 6 feet.....	20	1 75	13 00

Apples

One year, 2 to 3 feet.....	08	75	5 00
One year, 3 to 4 feet.....	10	1 00	7 00
One year, 4 to 5 feet.....	15	1 50	10 00
One year, 5 to 6 feet.....	20	2 00	12 00
Two year, 5 to 7 feet.....	25	2 50	15 00

Figs

One year, 2 to 3 feet.....	20	1 75	14 00
One year, 3 to 4 feet.....	25	2 25	17 00
One year, 4 to 6 feet.....	30	2 75	20 00
Two year, 5 to 6 feet.....	35	3 25	25 00

Figs

	Each	10	100
One year, 2 to 3 feet.....	10	1 00	9 00
One year, 3 to 4 feet.....	15	1 50	11 00
One year, 4 to 5 feet.....	18	1 75	13 00
One year, 5 to 7 feet.....	25	2 25	15 00
Two year, 4 to 6 feet.....	35	3 00	18 00

Quinces

One year, 3 to 4 feet.....	15	1 25	10 00
Two year, 4 to 6 feet.....	20	1 75	12 00

Apricots

One year, 3 to 4 feet.....	20	1 50	12 00
Two year, 4 to 6 feet.....	25	2 00	15 00

Cherries

One year, 2 to 3 feet.....	20	2 00	17 00
One year, 3 to 4 feet.....	25	2 50	20 00
Two year, 4 to 6 feet.....	35	3 00	25 00

Oranges and Kumquats

One year, 2 to 3 feet.....	40	3 50	30 00
One year, 3 to 4 feet.....	55	5 00	40 00
Two year, 3 to 5 feet.....	75	7 00	50 00

Citrus Trifolata

One year, 2 to 3 feet.....	15	1 50	12 00
Two year, 4 to 6 feet.....	25	2 25	15 00

Pecans

One year, 1 to 2 feet.....	20	1 50	12 00
One year, 2 to 3 feet.....	25	2 00	15 00
Two year, 3 to 4 feet.....	35	3 00	18 00

Japan Walnuts

One year, 1 to 2 feet.....	25	2 25	18 00
One year, 2 to 3 feet.....	35	3 00	22 50

Blackberries, Dewberries, Strawberries

	Each	10	100
Blackberries, rooted canes.....	07	75	1 75
Dewberries, rooted canes	07	75	1 75
Strawberries	05	50	75

Arbor Vitae

American, 1 to 2 feet.....	25	2 00	....
Chinese, 1 to 2 feet.....	35	3 00	....
Rosedale, 2 to 3 feet.....	50	4 00	....

Roses

One year	25	2 00	....
Two year	35	3 00	....

Jasmine

One year, 1 to 2 feet.....	20	1 50	....
One year, 2 to 3 feet.....	25	2 00	....
Magnolia—8 to 15 feet.....	2 00	15 00	....

Althea

One year, 2 to 3 feet.....	20	1 25	....
Two year, 3 to 4 feet.....	25	1 50	....

Sycamore, Mulberry, Cottonwood, Ash, Poplar

3 to 4 feet.....	10	1 00	....
4 to 5 feet.....	15	1 25	....
5 to 6 feet.....	20	1 75	....
6 to 9 feet.....	30	2 50	....

Umbrella---China

3 to 4 feet.....	12	1 00	....
4 to 5 feet.....	18	1 50	....
5 to 6 feet.....	20	1 75	....
6 to 9 feet.....	25	2 00	....

Pribet

1 to 2 feet.....	10	75	....
3 to 4 feet.....	15	1 00	....

Crape-Myrtle, Oleander, Wistaria, Honeysuckle

	Each	10	100
Crape Myrtle, 2 to 3 feet.....	25	2 00	....
Oleander, 3 to 4 feet.....	25	2 00	....
Wistaira and Honeysuckle.....	25	2 00	....

Address all communications, and make all drafts and money orders payable to R. H. Bushway, Manager.

SPECIAL OFFERS

In order to induce the planting of fruit for home use, we make the following special offers:

OFFER No. 1.

One Acre Orchard—All First-Class Stock.

Varieties to be selected from this catalogue and to be for not less than ten of each variety.

30..... Peaches	30	These one hundred and twenty-five trees and vines delivered by express to your nearest express office for only Ten Dollars. They would cost you at least Twenty-five bought of an agent or from a small dealer. Half of this offer delivered for only Six Dollars.
20..... Pears	20	
20..... Plums	20	
10..... Apples	10	
10..... J. Persimmons.....	10	
10..... Figs	10	
20..... Grapes	20	
5..... Quince	5	
125	125	

SPECIAL OFFER No. 2.

100 Dallas Blackberry vines	100	Seven hundred vines and plants delivered to your nearest express office for only Five Dollars—cheaper than you could dig them. One half of this lot delivered for Three Dollars.
100 Rogers Dewberry vines	100	
500...Strawberry plants...	500	
700	700	

SPECIAL OFFER No. 3—Ornamentals.

6.....Fine Roses.....	6	Thirty-six fine field grown roses and shade trees and beautiful flowering shrubs. We will send them to you pre-paid for only Five Dolars. One-half of this assortment for Three Dollars.
6.....Umbrella trees.....	6	
6..... Sycamore	6	
6..... Jasmine	6	
6..... Althea	6	
6..... Privit	6	
36	36	

BE SURE AND STATE NUMBER OF ORDER DESIRED.

SEEDS

Send for our illustrated Catalog which tells all about the best seed for the South. We are headquarters for genuine

Imported Bermuda Onion Sets

Long Island Grown Cabbage, Fancy Peas and Beans, Tomatoes, Etc., Alfalfa, Poultry Supplies, Iron Age Garden Tools, Fertilizers, Etc.

Texas Seed & Floral Co.

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We make a specialty of High Grade Fertilizers for Cotton, Corn and Truck



Algoa, Texas, Sept. 29, 1904.

We used two cars of this company's Fertilizer the past year and found it to be just as recommended, and, quality considered, the cheapest to be had.

ALVIN FRUIT & NURSERY CO.

