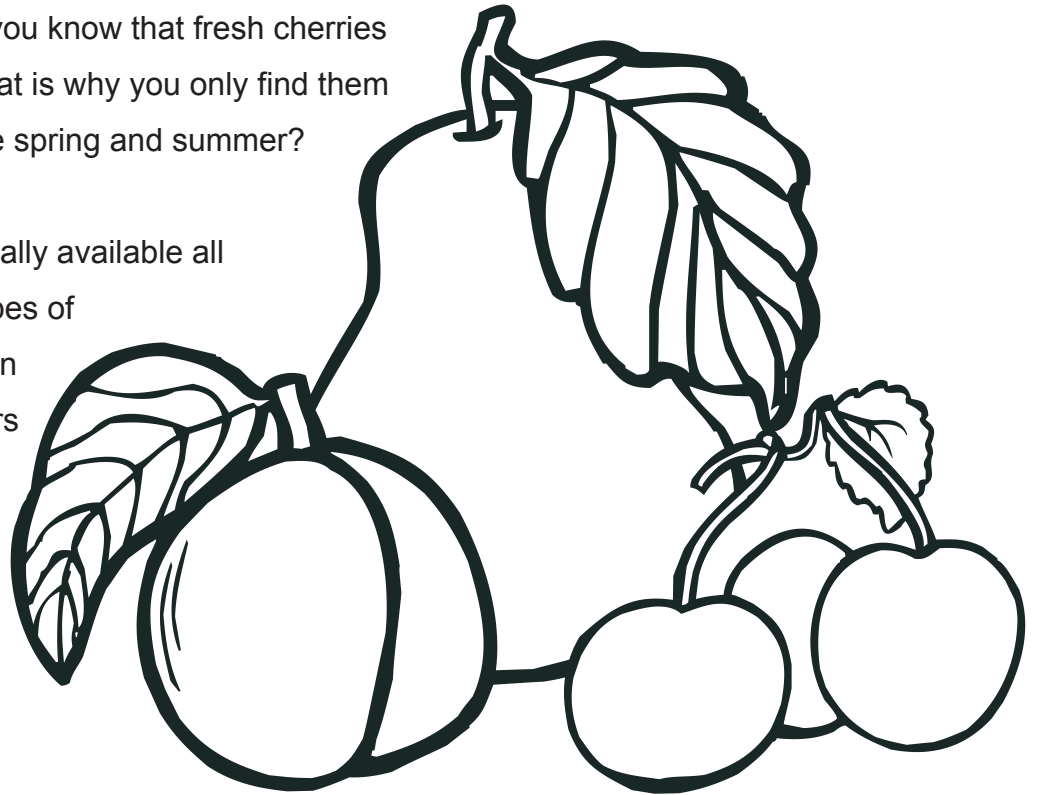


Washington Grows Fruit

Apples may be the top fruit crop in Washington, but lots of other fruits are grown here, like cherries, pears and peaches. In fact, Washington is first in the nation for sweet cherries, and Yakima and Chelan counties grow the most. Did you know that fresh cherries can not be kept in storage, that is why you only find them in the grocery store in the late spring and summer?

Washington pears are usually available all year-round. There are two types of pears - winter pears and Asian pears. When ripe, winter pears get soft, sweet and juicy, but Asian pears are crunchy. Winter pears ripen best after they are harvested.



Fruity Word Search

All of these fruits are grown in Washington State. Can you find them in the word search?

Hint: Some words share letters.

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| APRICOTS | PEARS |
| BLUEBERRIES | PLUMS |
| CANTALOUPE | PLUOTS |
| CHERRIES | PRUNES |
| CRANBERRIES | RASPBERRIES |
| GRAPES | STRAWBERRIES |
| NECTARINES | WATERMELON |
| PEACHES | |

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