2019

CALENDAR

Montezuma Orchard Restoration Project

~ Keeping Colorado Old Orchard Country ~

~ Montezuma Orchard Restoration Project (MORP) works to preserve Colorado's fruit growing heritage and restore an orchard culture and economy to the southwestern region. ~

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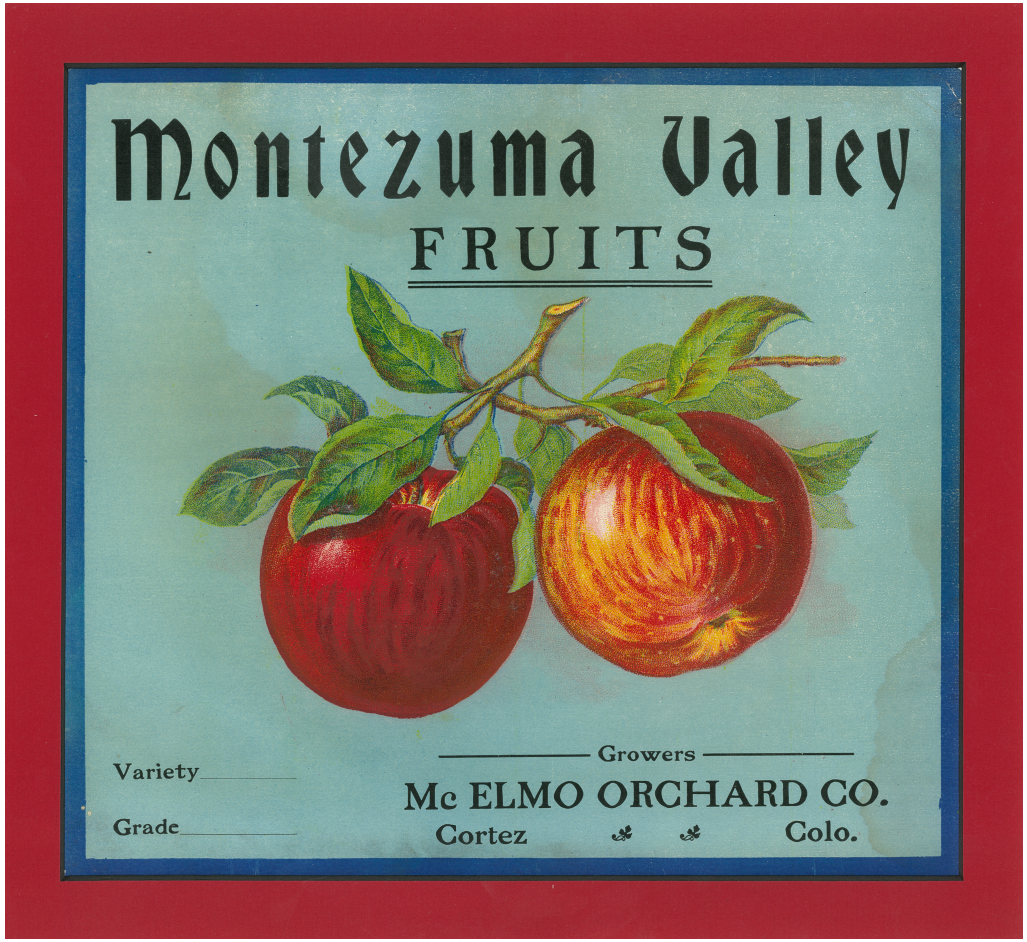
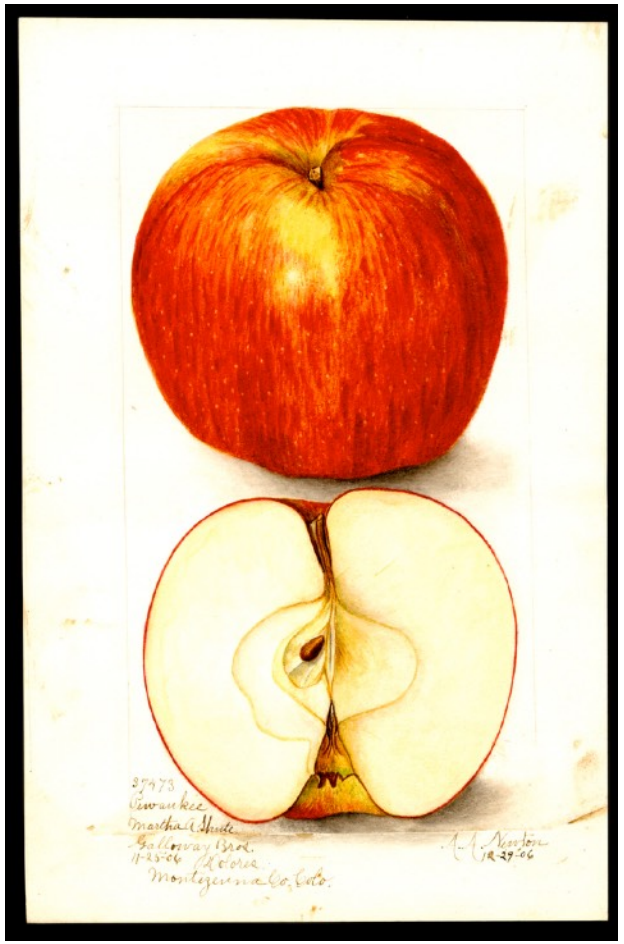
~ Business Sustain-a-Tree Members ~

We thank all the businesses featured in this calendar whose generous sponsorship of $300 or more helps provide the roots and stability to MORP's program work of Preservation, Education & Outreach, and Orchard Culture & Economy. Both business and individual sustaining members will have their name/ business placed on a heritage apple tree sign at the historic Gold Medal Orchard. MORP will share the variety name of your sponsored tree with you. See our website for more info.

~ Individual Sustain-a-Tree Members ~

When you become a Sustain-a-Tree member, you join a dedicated group of people reaching out each month to preserve Colorado's fruit growing heritage. Together you are the sustaining core keeping Colorado old orchard country. We invite you to join this special group by making a sustaining monthly donation of $10 or more. See the donate button and Sustain-A-Tree tab at the MORP website. We thank you.





Farm to table
dining in
downtown
Cortez!
Lunch, dinner
and happy hour
Monday thru Friday.
34 W. Main, Cortez
970 565 3834
Eat in, take out & catering
the FARM bistro
Winner of Trip Advisor's Certificate of Excellence

~ MORP envisions southwestern Colorado being renowned for an orchard culture and economy based on the legendary quality and diversity of Montezuma Valley Fruits ~

January

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 New Year's Day	2	3	4	5
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20	**21** M L King Day	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

Montezuma Valley Apples 1911

Colorado's fruit growing pioneers introduced at least 500 apple varieties to the state to see what would grow in our climate. Early homestead and commercial orchards were full of diversity. Their crops won premiums for their quality at county, state, and world fairs. Overtime, the trend turned to the shiny red apple, and growers were told to grow no more than three kinds. Yet, remnants of this early diversity remain in Colorado's landscape. MORP works to find and preserve these rare genetics.

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February

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17	**18** Presidents Day	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28		Montezuma Orchard Restoration Project

Heritage Apple DNA Testing

MORP submitted heritage apple leaves collected from historic orchards across Colorado to the USDA-ARS National Laboratory for Genetic Resource Preservations for identification.

Results:

- 68 named cultivars
- 31 unknown cultivar matches to other samples
- 96 unique unknown cultivars
- 195 cultivars out of 489 samples

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Rome

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The Dolores State Bank
MANCOS - DOLORES - CORTEZ

Absolute Bakery & Cafe
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Mancos, Colorado

Eclectic dining experiences in the historical Bauer Bank Building
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970-533-1200
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Sun. 7am to 12pm
Menu available at
www.absolutebakery.com

May

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	**27** Memorial Day	28	29	30	31	Montezuma Orchard Restoration Project

Heritage Apple Tree Sale

Every year MORP holds a Heritage Apple Tree Sale & Fundraiser on the **third** SAT in June. See our website EVENTS page for availability list, directions, and details.

Proceeds benefit the establishment of school, community, and public orchards by giving MORP the opportunity to donate heritage apple trees across Colorado.

Contact MORP if you think your organization may qualify for donated trees. The site must be a public or community space with good wildlife fence, water, and labor to care for the trees.

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June

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Purple Mountain Majesty

All the apples featured in this calendar, except for this one, are named varieties. In other words, they come from grafted, not seedling trees. So, how do apples become a variety in the first place? One way, is to find a seedling apple worthy of a name and graft, name, and share it.

Purple Mountain Majesty is one of MORP's proudest introductions. Smooth purple skin; white, tender, aromatic, melting flesh; ripens in the fall.

Happy Ice Cream Month!

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Artisan Ice Cream and Chocolate

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Cortez, Co
970-560-0468

We use real ingredients, locally sourced from farms throughout Montezuma County. Come taste the Real difference.

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July

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	**4** Independence Day	5	6
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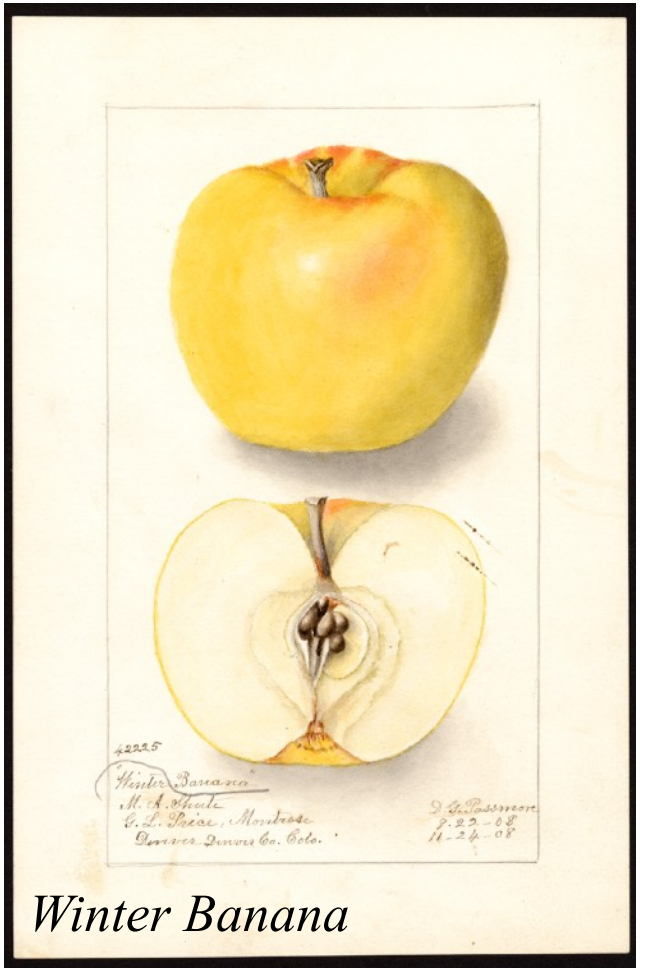

Winter Banana

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DOLORES FOOD MARKET
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August

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Colorado Orange

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September

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Orchard Social

Join MORP on the **second** SAT in October to celebrate Montezuma County's fruit growing heritage.

~ heritage apple trees for sale
~ food and fun
~ live music
~ hard cider tasting
~ heritage apple judging show
~ family-friendly

See MORP website EVENTS page for directions and details.

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October

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6	7	8	9	10	11	**12** **Orchard Social. See MORP website events page for details.**
13	**14** Columbus Day	15	16	17	18	19
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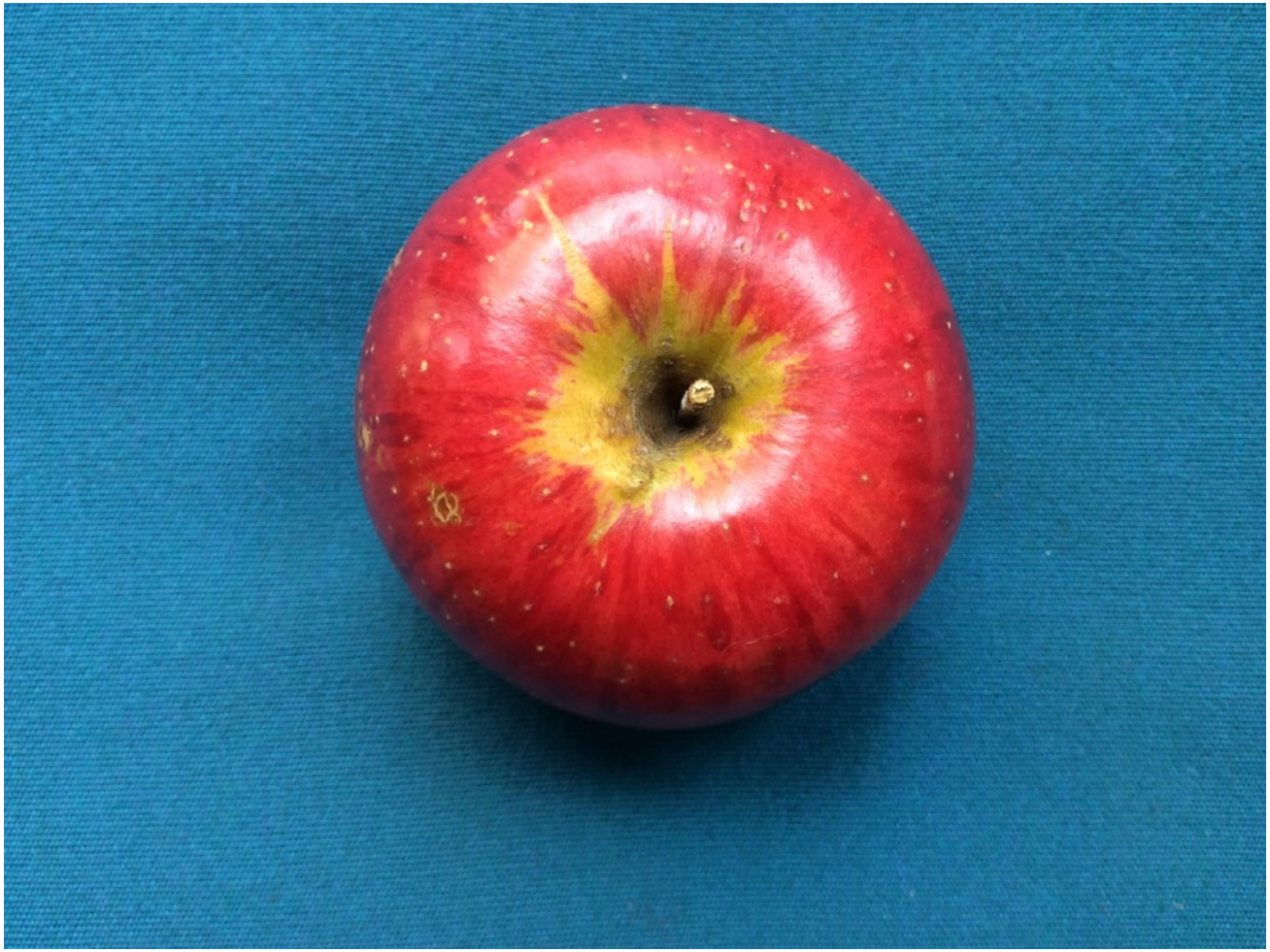

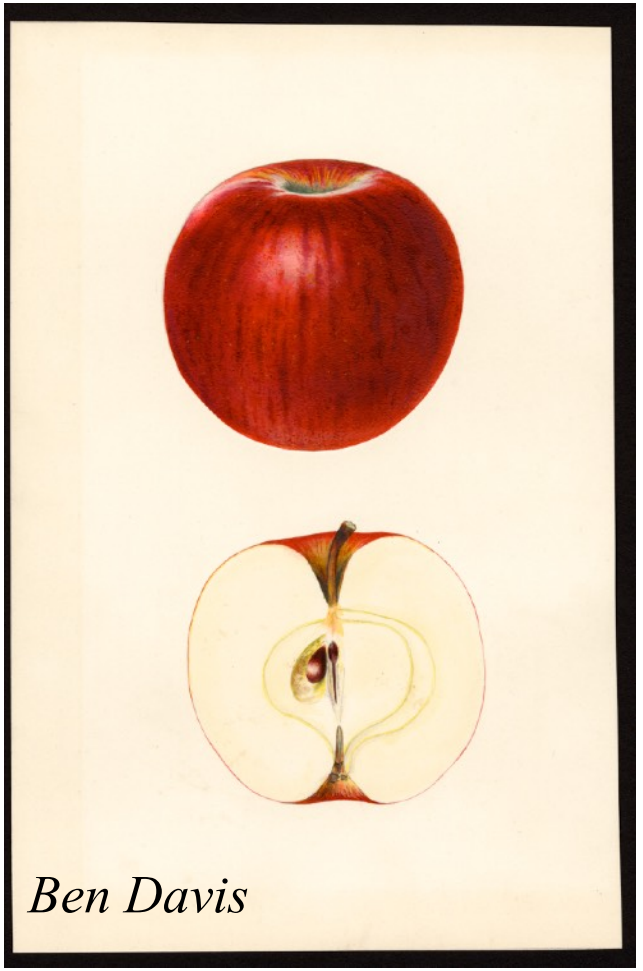

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24	25	26	27	**28** Thanksgiving	29	30

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22	23	24	**25** Christmas Day	26	27	28
29	30	31				

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