

# Apricot

**Variety:** Candide (S)

Species: Apricot, *Prunus armeniaca*



<b>Origin:</b>	
Breeder, Place	INRA, France
Intellectual property	CEP Innovation, France
Type, Selection	clone INFEL 4025
Property rights	registered for EU plant variety rights
<b>Blossom:</b>	
Blooming date, -intensity	medium late to late flowering period, high to very high blossom density and a long blossom period
Fertility	self-fertile
Frost susceptibility	very low susceptibility of flower buds to winter frost
<b>Fruit:</b>	
Ripening time	mid-season, about 12 days after 'Orangenaprikose'
Scale, shape	medium to large, ovoid shape with a pronounced apex, clear suture, very regular half-fruits
Colour	intense yellow orange ground colour, up to 30 % shiny medium to dark red over colour, mainly speckled
Fruit flesh	intense orange, medium firm with a very good texture, very juicy
Taste	typical apricot flavour with low acidity
Cracking sensitivity	relatively robust, fully ripe fruits tend to crack at the suture
Stone separability	freestone
Storage	good
<b>Tree:</b>	
Vigour	medium to strong, semi-upright, very good even branching
Crop load	regular high to very high
<b>Evaluation</b>	Candide (S) shows very high productivity from the beginning due to its late and prolonged blossom. This is the reason why flower bud frost damage only happens in rare cases. The self-fertility also supports the crop load. In France Candide (S) is recommended for organic growing because of its robustness.