

# Apricot

**Trademark:** ROUECOT™  
**Variety:** Rougibon (S)  
Species: Apricot, *Prunus armeniaca*



<b>Origin:</b>	
Breeder, Place	COT INTERNATIONAL, France
Intellectual property	COT INTERNATIONAL, France
Property rights	registered for EU plant variety rights and trademark
<b>Blossom:</b>	
Blooming date, -intensity	late to very late blossom period, high to very high density
Fertility	self-fertile
Frost susceptibility	low susceptibility of flower buds to winter frost
<b>Fruit:</b>	
Ripening time	medium, 12-15 days after 'Orangenaprikose', same harvest period as 'VANILLA COT™'
Scale, shape	medium large, rounded to ellipsoid, limited suture
Colour	100% shiny dark red to crimson over colour
Fruit flesh	orange, at premature harvesting very firm and a bit dry, as the fruit ripens delicate consistency and juiciness, high ripe fruits keep their pleasant texture for a long time
Taste	high aromatic-sweet with fine acidity in the smooth skin
Cracking sensitivity	very low
Stone separability	freestone
Plum pox	resistant according to breeder
Storage	very good for Rouge-Apricots
<b>Tree:</b>	
Vigour	medium strong, compact habit, very good ramifying
Crop load	high to very high, yields very well from the beginning, an early and thorough fruit-thinning is necessary

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### Evaluation

The self-fertility as well as the very late blooming-date ensure the economical efficiency of this attractive Rouge-Apricot when the weather conditions are unfavourable in springtime. 'ROUGECOT <sup>TM</sup>' impresses also with high cracking resistance, plum pox virus resistance and long shelf-life.