

Gage

Variety: **Große grüne Reneklode**

Species: Gage, *Prunus domestica*



Origin:	
Breeder, Place	cultivated in France since the middle of the 15th century, origin probably Armenia or Syria, spread in Europe since 1670
Parents	unknown
Synonym	Zuckerpflaume, Reine Claude Verte
Property rights	free variety
Blossom:	
Blooming date	medium late, short blossom
Fertility	self-sterile, good pollinator
Pollinator	Topfive (S), Bellamira (S), Auerbacher, Nancymirabelle, Hanita (S), TOPTASTE™ Kulinaria (S)
Fruit:	
Ripening time	medium, 7. plum week, just before 'Nancymirabelle'
Scale, shape	medium, 33-36 mm, 20-30 g, rounded
Colour	green to greenish yellow, partially russet
Fruit flesh	greenish yellow, medium firm, fine melting, very juicy
Taste	very sweet, high sugar content, slightly spicy
Cracking sensitivity	medium
Stone separability	stone tends to stick to the flesh
Plum pox	intolerant
Storage	good
Tree:	
Vigour	medium strong, wide spherical crown
Crop load	medium, late beginning, slightly uneven, prefers sheltered, warm sites
Evaluation:	Although this variety has a less attractive appearance, it is a well-known, classic gage, which is well suited for direct marketing. Gage-enthusiasts appreciate its tender and melting, sweet-spicy and very juicy flesh. Because of its high sugar content this gage is also popular for distilling.