

Notes on Patterson Plum x Sandcherry Hybrids

Cooking Test - D. R. Robinson

Epsilon: Sept. 6, Dept. of Hort., very good flavor, not astringent, clingstone. 1966

Beta: Sept. 6, Dept. of Hort., somewhat astringent; not as good as Epsilon.

Green fleshed, freestone, skin thin, quality good, not astringent. (Sample from G. Krahn, Sept. 13, ripe.)

Delta: Sept. 6, Dept. of Hort., moderately good, slightly astringent; clingstone.

Purple flesh, large pit, quality good, not astringent (G. Krahn, Sept. 13, ripe).

Zeta: Sept. 6, Dept. of Hort., moderately good, slightly astringent; skin does not crack as readily as other varieties, clingstone.

Sigma: Sept. 6, Dept. of Hort., quality very good, flesh reddish green; clingstone. The skin was a bit tough but this was a small sample and may not have been a fair test.

Heaver (Plum x Sand-

cherry Hybrid) Medium size, slightly oblong, green fleshed, semi-freestone, quality moderately good, not outstanding.