

Duarte Nursery

Bennett-Hickman™

US PP26,083 P3

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- Plant 50/50 with Nonpareil
- Bloom compatible with Nonpareil
- All the leading rootstocks
- Harvests 14 days after Nonpareil



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FAQs – Bennett-Hickman US PP26,083 P3

What is the Bennett-Hickman almond?

This almond variety was developed in Hickman CA by almond farmer/breeder Jim Bennett and introduced exclusively by Duarte Nursery, Inc. Bennett-Hickman was a chance seedling that occurred on the Bennett ranch over 20 years ago.

Is it a high-quality almond? What price does it demand?

The Bennett-Hickman almond is physically almost indistinguishable from a Nonpareil both as kernels and in shell. Several leading handlers have already classified it as a Nonpareil for payment.

Is the Bennett-Hickman almond bloom and compatible with Nonpareil and other major varieties?

Yes. The Bennett-Hickman is pollen compatible with Nonpareil, Monterey and most all other commercial almond varieties. It blooms profusely with flowers extending from before Nonpareil through the end of Nonpareil.

How long has it been around? How many trees are in the ground?

The Bennett-Hickman has been in development for almost two decades. There are eighteen year old trees in commercial production. To date, there are 1.2 million trees planted, with an additional 1.1 million scheduled to ship in the next 18 months. Processors have been pleased with results and are continuing to promote BH with their growers.

What percent of our Bennett-Hickman trees go out as 50% Bennett Hickman, 50% Nonpareil orders?

85-90% of our Bennett-Hickman orders are 50/50. The balance is mostly 50% Nonpareil, 25% Bennett-Hickman, and 25% Monterey.

What sort of tree stature does the Bennett-Hickman have?

Large, very similar to Nonpareil. Identical spacing to Nonpareil is recommended.

How well and when does Bennett-Hickman almond harvest?

Bennett-Hickman harvests 14 days after Nonpareil. The nut release is very good giving a clean shake with very few stick tights.

Is the Bennett-Hickman self-fertile or does it require a pollinator?

The Bennett-Hickman is not self-fertile. The Variety requires a pollinator. Bennett-Hickman is in the same pollen class as Wood Colony, which is not compatible with Bennett-Hickman. It's a 50-50 planting with Nonpareil is the most profitable almond planting possible.

What is the average Bennett-Hickman yields of the oldest planting?

The average yield over the last four year is 2,437 lbs. per acre.

What uses does the Bennett-Hickman almond have?

The Bennett-Hickman kernels can be used the same way a Nonpareil kernel is used.

When can I plant Bennett-Hickman Almond trees?

Duarte Nursery, Inc. has Bennett-Hickman trees available on most important rootstocks for near term delivery. Check with your DNI field rep at 209-531-0351 or sales@duartenursery.com to verify specifics.

Scheuber Ranch Almond Lbs per Acre

