



APPLES IN CYPRIOT ECONOMY

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Apple is one of the most popular fruits, ranking first worldwide in terms of cultivated area and productivity within the temperate fruit crops.



Apart from its acceptable qualitative and sensorial attributes, apples constitute a rich source of bioactive compounds with health-promoting properties. The consumption of fresh apples has been correlated with protective effect for human health.



Varieties of Apples in CYPRUS

In Cyprus there are only two traditional apple varieties. The 'Kathista' and 'Lortiko'.



'Kathista'



'Lortiko'



You can find these two varieties in some villages in the mountains of Cyprus. The most famous village for its apple farms is Kyperounta, which is located in the Troodos Mountain, the highest mountain in Cyprus. Every year, there is an Apple Festival in Kyperounta.

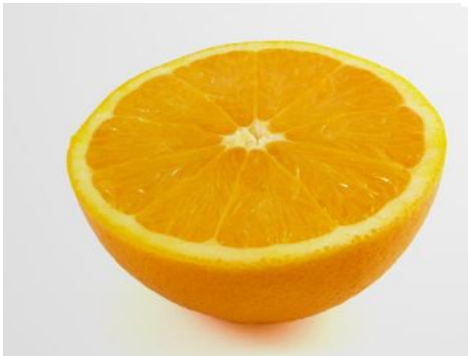


Which fruit the Cypriots prefer?

12% of the Cypriots prefer to eat oranges

11% they prefer to eat apples

10% grapes



From which countries Cyprus import its apples?

The most famous countries, which Cyprus import its apples are Greece, Italy and Holland.

The price of Greek , Italian and Dutch apples is much cheaper than the Cypriot apples !!!

- ✓ Apples is not an important factor of the Economy in Cyprus.
- ✓ Only few people in Cyprus is engaged in growing apples.
- ✓ Most people in Cyprus buy apples from other countries instead of the Cypriot apples, because are much cheaper.

