

Cashmere™

Parents: *Stella* x *Early Burlat*
Cross made in 1971 by Tom Toyama.
Tested as PC7144-3.



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***Cashmere*™** is an early-season, export-quality, dark red sweet cherry. Similar to *Bing* in appearance, the fruit is medium-to-large in size, with a mahogany red skin and dark red flesh. It ripens 8 to 11 days before *Bing*, has good firmness, and excellent flavor. It is more susceptible to rain-induced cracking than *Bing*.



***Cashmere*™** produces a tree that is very spreading and has much better branching angles than *Bing*. Its productivity is very good, as is its cold hardiness. ***Cashmere*™** begins blooming several days after *Bing*, a valuable trait to reduce the potential for spring frost damage. It is self-fertile and thus can pollinate other cultivars with similar bloom times. The chilling requirement of ***Cashmere*™** is not yet known, but is presumed to be similar to that of *Bing*. The susceptibility to heat-induced double/spur fruit is not known

Production and compatibility of *Cashmere*[™] on rootstocks other than Mazzard is unknown at this time.