

Though in-person Extension meetings, events and classes are canceled until June 30, we are still working in your communities and bringing online education and resources to all Minnesotans.

Refrigerator? Counter top? Where does fresh fruit go?



Apricots, bananas, cantaloupe, kiwi, nectarines, peaches, pears, plantains, plums and tomatoes continue to ripen after being picked. Ripen fruit at room temperature. Once they are ripe, refrigerate.

Apples, cherries, grapefruit, grapes, oranges, pineapples, strawberries, tangerines and watermelon are received ripe and should be refrigerated.

How to ripen fresh fruit.

Ripen at room temperature	Refrigerate upon receiving
Apricots	Applies
Bananas	Cherries
Cantaloupe	Grapefruit
Kiwi	Grapes
Nectarines	Oranges
Peaches	Pineapple
Pears	Strawberries
Plums	Tangerines
Tomatoes	Watermelon

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