

Know Your Rootstocks

We all recognise the importance of rootstocks on citrus, but if you are unsure about which rootstock goes with what citrus cultivar, Queensland fruit tree expert, Peter Young, suggests the following:

Trifoliata - confers some dwarfing. Ideal for Meyer lemon and finger limes, but is salt sensitive.

Swingle - produces a very large tree. Best used on grapefruit and pummelo.

Troyer - produces a mid-sized tree. Adaptable to a variety of cultivars, but avoid lemons and finger limes.

Benton - best used with Eureka lemon.

Cleo - best used with Calamondin.

Flying Dragon - confers dwarfing characteristics. Ideal for orange, mandarin and lime.

Great advice.

Thanks Peter Young