

DCA FOX 11™

(An Italian PEAR ROOTSTOCK)

(Exclusive to ANFIC)

GENERAL:

- Origin Country - Italy
- Species - *Pyrus communis*

Mother plant trait:

- Vigour: medium-low
- Plant description
- Leaves: colour-green, size-small, shape oval-obovate, stem length-medium, stipule-long and narrow, incision of margin-bluntly serrate
- Shoot: bark colour brown-red, Lenticels-small, medium density
- Vegetative buds: size-small, shape-conical
- Root system: Anchorage-good, root growth-low in nursery.
- Care should be taken at planting because a medium to low root system is usually developed in the nursery.

Propagation and other traits:

- Best propagation system: In vitro
- Affinity: very good with the most common *Pyrus communis* cultivars (Bartlett, Beurre Bosc, Abbe Fetel, Conference).
- Lime tolerance: high
- Sucker activity: very low

Influence of cultivar behaviour: Vigour-level of vigour: slightly higher than BA29 but slightly lower than Fox16.

Shoot renewal-good. Productivity-good.

This rootstock is suitable for lime soil with high pH. The highest density suggested is around 2000-2500 trees/ha. Summer pruning and shoot bending are required to enhance early bearing of the trees.



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