## Harvest of the Month Peaches

## **Peach Facts**

- August is National Peach Month
- Peaches are part of the rose family—so are plums, apricots, and almonds.
- The fuzz on peach skins is controlled by single gene. A Nectarine is a type of peach that has smooth skin instead of velvety.
- Georgia produces more than 40 commercial varieties of peaches, divided into 2 categories – freestone and clingstone.
- In a clingstone, flesh is tightly attached to the stone. Freestone types can be easily removed from the stone.
- Peaches are rich source of fiber, vitamin C, A and E. They also contain high amount of potassium, magnesium, zinc and phosphorus.
- First fruit will appear on the peach tree after 3 years. This plant usually lives around 12 years.

## **Farm Facts**

Jaemor Farms

- This months harvest comes from Jaemor Farms in the North Georgia Mountains of Alto, GA.
- This 600 acre farm also produces homegrown strawberries, blackberries, muscadines, scuppernongs, concord grapes, watermelon, squash, tomatoes, zucchini, pumpkins and more.
  To find out more about this family farm you can visit http://www.jaemorfarms.com/



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