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## **Pear Ripening Instructions**

The pears are picked green and firm. They will soften and start to turn slightly yellow when they are ready to eat.

Leave the box with the lid on it to help the ripening process. Do not store the pears in plastic containers or plastic bags. They will not ripen properly and will become mushy.

The pears will take about a week to ripen while sitting in their box at room temperature. Once the pears begin to turn yellow or they start to have a little squish to them, place them in the refrigerator so they will last longer while being ripe.

If you keep the pears refrigerated while green, they will take longer to ripen. You can take a few out at a time and let them ripen versus having the entire box ripen at the same time.