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2014 proclaimed 'Year of the Quince'

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Courtesy Queen of Quince Barbara Ghazarian, author of the book "Simply Quince" and of the Queen of Quince website, is scheduled to speak at the 2014 Festival of Fruit in Portland, Ore., in August. [California Rare Fruit Growers](#) has declared 2014 the year of the quince.

The organization plans to highlight quince at the [2014 Festival of Fruit](#) Aug. 6-9 in Portland, which it will co-host with the Home Orchard Society and North American Fruit Explorers.

Barbara Ghazarian, author of the cookbook "Simply Quince," is scheduled to speak on "The Quince Revival Swells." She also writes for the [Queen of Quince website](#).

Tremaine Arkley's topic is "Quince Products from Membrillo to Liquor." Joseph Postman of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Research Service, Corvallis, Ore., is slated to discuss old and new Pacific Northwest quince varieties, according to a news release.

Most quinces sold in the U.S. are grown in California. About 300 acres of the pineapple quince variety are grown in the San Joaquin Valley south of Fresno. The fruit is produced from September through January.

- See more at: <http://www.thepacker.com/fruit-vegetable-news/2014-proclaimed-Year-of-the-Quince-249511401.html#sthash.swFOuZVC.dpuf>