

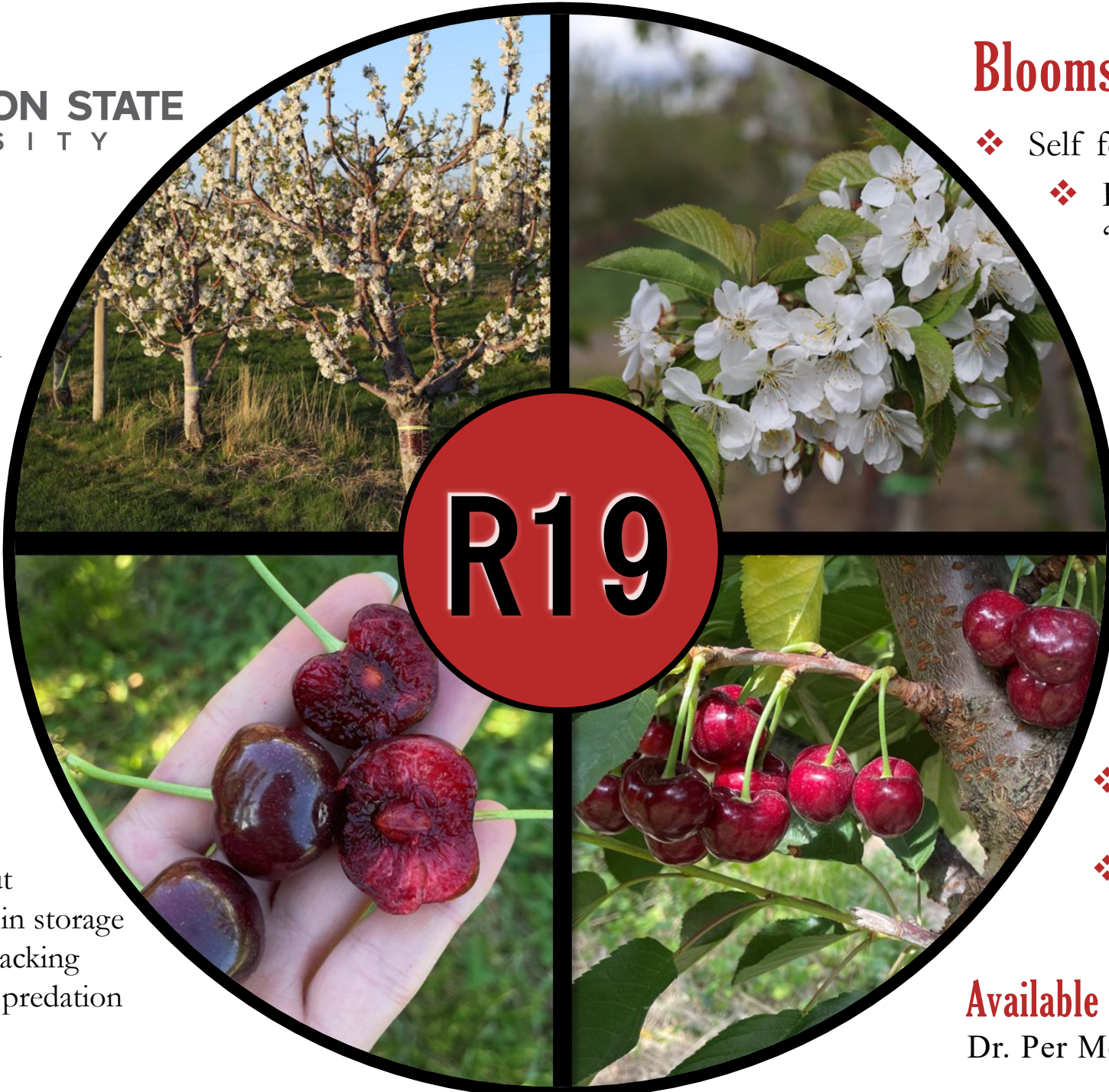


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**R19:** a new, early season cherry that outperforms other early varieties with excellent commercial and consumer qualities.

## Fruit

- ❖ Early harvest at ‘Chelan’ timing with **superior quality:**
  - Larger fruit
  - Higher BRIX
  - Higher firmness
  - Equivalent pack-out
  - Good stem quality in storage
  - Occasional nose-cracking
  - Susceptible to bird predation
- ❖ Lighter cropping



## Blooms

- ❖ Self fertile (S4’S9)
- ❖ First bloom a few days after ‘Chelan’
  - ❖ Partially compatible with ‘Chelan’
  - ❖ Pollenizers and precocious rootstocks recommended for best fruit set

## Tree Health

- ❖ Upright growth habit
- ❖ Moderate to weak vigor
- ❖ Bacterial canker at cold/wet sites
- ❖ Cold hardiness to be determined

**Available 2026 for 2027/28 delivery**

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