# STAGES OF RIPE

USE THIS GUIDE WHEN ORDERING FRESH CALIFORNIA HASS AVOCADOS

STAGE



#### **FIRM**

Very hard fruit. Usually green in color. Some fruit may be a darker shade.

(25 lbs. of pressure or more)

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#### PRE-CONDITIONED

Ready to eat in approximately 3 days if held at room temperature. (15-25 lbs. of pressure)

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#### **BREAKING**

(Pre-ripened) Slight give to fruit. Ready to eat in approximately 2 days if held at room temperature. (10-15 lbs. of pressure)

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#### **FIRM RIPE**

(Pre-ripened) Yields to gentle pressure. Good for slicing. Fully ripe next day if held at room temperature. (5-10 lbs. of pressure)

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### **RIPE**

Easily yields to gentle pressure. Good for all uses. Will remain in this condition for 2-3 days if held at room temperature.
(5 lbs. or less pressure)

## **STORAGE**

Stage 1-3 fruit can be held at room temperature ( $65^{\circ}$ - $70^{\circ}$ ) in an area with good circulation to continue ripening. Stage 4-5 fruit can be stored at  $36^{\circ}$ - $40^{\circ}$  for up to one week.



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