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COMBINING MANGOS AND WILD MANGOS: THE WANGO ORIGIN STORY

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Domestication of mangos has brought about a potential genetic bottleneck that is not as disease-resistant or adaptable to changing climactic conditions.

Through numerous years of collecting trips in Southeast Asia, over 69 different wild mango species have been identified and collected, with germplasm of many located in Puerto Rico and Florida, among other places. These wild mangos were successfully crossbred with the common mango (Mangifera indica) to create new interspecific hybrids, now referred to as 'wangos'. These new fruits are in the earliest stages of development and require many years of testing for flowering induction, precocity, fruit quality, etc., but they serve as a sign of the genetic potential available to create new fruits with a novel marketing opportunity.

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