

Worldwide, about a third of the food produced for human consumption is lost or wasted every year.

(www.unep.org)

Apples float in water, because 25% of their volume is made of air.

Coconut water can be used as an emergency substitute for blood plasma.

An average ear of corn has an even number of rows, usually 16.

The most expensive fruit in the world is the Japanese Yubari melon. Two melons once sold at auction for more than \$30,000 NZD.

A survey showed 29% of adults say they have been splashed or scalded by hot drinks while dunking biscuits.

Since starting in 2008, Kaibosh has provided the equivalent of 1,350,000 meals to Wellingtonians in need.

In Kentucky, it is illegal to carry an ice cream cone in your back pocket.

Pearls melt in vinegar.

The fear of vegetables is called lachanophobia.

'Onion' is Latin for 'large pearl'.

The Incas measured time by how long it took a potato to cook.

Lemons contain more sugar than strawberries.

In the 1930s U.S. spinach growers credited Popeye with a 33% increase in domestic spinach consumption.

The average New Zealand family throws away \$563 worth of uneaten food every year. That's 3 shopping trolleys full.

(www.lovefoodhatewaste.co.nz)

Honey bees must visit one million flowers to make a 500g pottle of honey.

There are 7,500 varieties of apples grown throughout the world, and if you tried a new variety each day, it would take you 20 years to try them all.

Ketchup was sold in the 1830s as medicine.