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*Pyrus*

*Rosaceae*

*Pyrus* is a classical Latin name for ‘pear’.

A delightful French name for any pear (whatever the species or variety) worth marking. It is *poire de curé*. The name would be applied to a pear of beauty but of not such perfection in taste that the donor would not wish that another (different pear) had been given to the priest.