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Cores

Cut a kiwi equatorially: no pips, no stone.

Avocado: pole-to-pole all around the stone twist to separate.

Orange, lemon, lime: equatorially squeeze the juice leave the pith and pips.

Papaya, melon: pole-to-pole scoop out the mushy core.

Mango: find the flat sides of the stone slice alongside almost pole to almost pole close as you can.

Apple, pear: pole-to-pole in half then quarters cut the core from each.

But no, for once cut an apple equatorially see its secret: the apple is a five-pointed fruit.

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