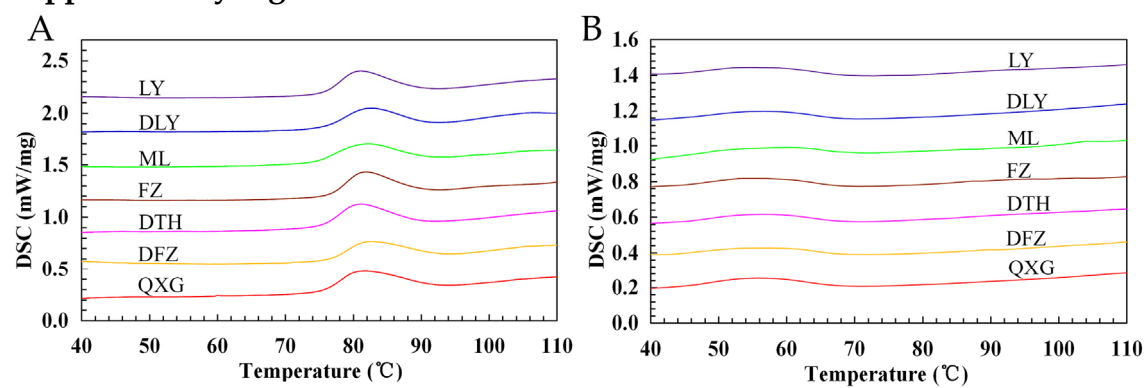


### Supplementary Figure



**Figure S1.** Gelatinisation (A) and retrogradation (B) of kernel flours from seven ginkgo cultivars as determined by DSC.

## Supplementary Tables

**Table S1.** Amino acid contents of kernels from seven ginkgo cultivars

Items	Ginkgo cultivars						
	QXG	DFZ	DTH	FZ	ML	DLY	LY
Aspartic acid (Asp)	0.74±0.01 <sup>b</sup>	0.81±0.32 <sup>a</sup>	0.92±0.13 <sup>a</sup>	0.71±0.10 <sup>b</sup>	0.81±0.05 <sup>a</sup>	0.94±0.04 <sup>a</sup>	0.72±0.06 <sup>b</sup>
Threonine (Thr)	0.41±0.00 <sup>a</sup>	0.41±0.18 <sup>a</sup>	0.45±0.06 <sup>a</sup>	0.37±0.03 <sup>b</sup>	0.40±0.00 <sup>a</sup>	0.50±0.01 <sup>a</sup>	0.39±0.02 <sup>b</sup>
Serine (Ser)	0.49±0.00 <sup>b</sup>	0.45±0.19 <sup>b</sup>	0.54±0.07 <sup>a</sup>	0.42±0.00 <sup>a</sup>	0.47±0.00 <sup>b</sup>	0.61±0.01 <sup>a</sup>	0.48±0.02 <sup>b</sup>
Glutamic acid (Glu)	1.31±0.01 <sup>b</sup>	1.39±0.56 <sup>b</sup>	1.56±0.16 <sup>a</sup>	1.27±0.07 <sup>b</sup>	1.34±0.01 <sup>b</sup>	1.72±0.07 <sup>a</sup>	1.31±0.06 <sup>b</sup>
Glycin (Gly)	0.40±0.01 <sup>ab</sup>	0.41±0.17 <sup>ab</sup>	0.47±0.05 <sup>a</sup>	0.36±0.03 <sup>b</sup>	0.40±0.01 <sup>ab</sup>	0.48±0.03 <sup>a</sup>	0.39±0.03 <sup>ab</sup>
Alanine (Ala)	0.51±0.01 <sup>b</sup>	0.57±0.25 <sup>a</sup>	0.63±0.08 <sup>a</sup>	0.48±0.04 <sup>b</sup>	0.54±0.02 <sup>b</sup>	0.66±0.05 <sup>a</sup>	0.52±0.05 <sup>b</sup>
Valine (Val)	0.47±0.07 <sup>a</sup>	0.53±0.20 <sup>a</sup>	0.54±0.06 <sup>a</sup>	0.42±0.03 <sup>b</sup>	0.46±0.04 <sup>a</sup>	0.54±0.06 <sup>a</sup>	0.45±0.05 <sup>ab</sup>
Isoleucine (Ile)	0.36±0.04 <sup>a</sup>	0.43±0.19 <sup>a</sup>	0.44±0.08 <sup>a</sup>	0.33±0.02 <sup>a</sup>	0.39±0.03 <sup>a</sup>	0.47±0.06 <sup>a</sup>	0.38±0.06 <sup>a</sup>
Leucine (Leu)	0.56±0.03 <sup>ab</sup>	0.62±0.25 <sup>a</sup>	0.69±0.08 <sup>a</sup>	0.54±0.04 <sup>b</sup>	0.60±0.03 <sup>a</sup>	0.71±0.05 <sup>a</sup>	0.58±0.05 <sup>a</sup>
Tyrosine (Tyr)	0.20±0.01 <sup>a</sup>	0.21±0.10 <sup>a</sup>	0.23±0.03 <sup>a</sup>	0.18±0.02 <sup>a</sup>	0.20±0.00 <sup>a</sup>	0.25±0.00 <sup>a</sup>	0.20±0.02 <sup>a</sup>
Phenylalanine (Phe)	0.35±0.00 <sup>a</sup>	0.36±0.17 <sup>a</sup>	0.42±0.06 <sup>a</sup>	0.36±0.02 <sup>a</sup>	0.36±0.00 <sup>a</sup>	0.42±0.00 <sup>a</sup>	0.37±0.02 <sup>a</sup>
Histidine (His)	0.16±0.01 <sup>a</sup>	0.17±0.08 <sup>a</sup>	0.19±0.03 <sup>a</sup>	0.14±0.01 <sup>a</sup>	0.18±0.00 <sup>a</sup>	0.20±0.01 <sup>a</sup>	0.16±0.02 <sup>a</sup>
Lysine (Lys)	0.34±0.00 <sup>a</sup>	0.35±0.15 <sup>a</sup>	0.45±0.05 <sup>a</sup>	0.35±0.03 <sup>a</sup>	0.38±0.00 <sup>a</sup>	0.42±0.02 <sup>a</sup>	0.37±0.03 <sup>a</sup>
Arginine (Arg)	0.91±0.16 <sup>a</sup>	0.93±0.36 <sup>a</sup>	0.92±0.08 <sup>a</sup>	0.68±0.04 <sup>b</sup>	0.91±0.01 <sup>a</sup>	0.11±0.07 <sup>c</sup>	0.91±0.11 <sup>a</sup>
Proline (Pro)	0.23±0.01 <sup>b</sup>	0.30±0.14 <sup>a</sup>	0.32±0.02 <sup>a</sup>	0.22±0.04 <sup>b</sup>	0.36±0.02 <sup>a</sup>	0.31±0.00 <sup>a</sup>	0.25±0.02 <sup>b</sup>

Data are given as means ± standard deviation (n=3). Values with the same letter in the same row are not significantly different ( $p < 0.05$ ). Data are presented as mg/g dry kernel weight.

**Supplementary Table S2.** Maltese cross differences and Raman spectra ratios of ginkgo starches from seven cultivars

Samples	Regular Maltese crosses (%)	Irregular Maltese crosses (%)	480/942 cm <sup>-1</sup>	865/942 cm <sup>-1</sup>			952/942 cm <sup>-1</sup>
				Periphery of starch	Centre of starch	Whole starch	
QXG	41.28±1.8 <sup>cd</sup>	58.72±1.81 <sup>a</sup>	1.89±0.01 <sup>b</sup>	0.69±0.05 <sup>cd</sup>	0.41±0.05 <sup>b</sup>	0.54±0.04 <sup>b</sup>	0.22±0.01 <sup>a</sup>
DFZ	58.93±2.93 <sup>a</sup>	41.07±2.93 <sup>c</sup>	2.03±0.02 <sup>a</sup>	0.87±0.06 <sup>b</sup>	0.40±0.02 <sup>b</sup>	0.65±0.10 <sup>a</sup>	0.11±0.00 <sup>b</sup>
DTH	54.07±1.82 <sup>ab</sup>	45.93±1.82 <sup>bc</sup>	2.09±0.02 <sup>a</sup>	0.77±0.10 <sup>c</sup>	0.33±0.02 <sup>c</sup>	0.48±0.01 <sup>c</sup>	0.21±0.01 <sup>a</sup>
FZ	43.91±3.05 <sup>c</sup>	56.09±3.05 <sup>a</sup>	2.01±0.01 <sup>a</sup>	0.61±0.02 <sup>d</sup>	0.33±0.03 <sup>c</sup>	0.44±0.03 <sup>c</sup>	0.10±0.01 <sup>b</sup>
ML	51.79±5.96 <sup>ab</sup>	48.21±5.96 <sup>bc</sup>	2.00±0.03 <sup>a</sup>	0.96±0.07 <sup>a</sup>	0.53±0.03 <sup>a</sup>	0.69±0.03 <sup>a</sup>	0.11±0.01 <sup>b</sup>
DLY	54.28±0.62 <sup>ab</sup>	45.72±0.62 <sup>bc</sup>	1.89±0.04 <sup>b</sup>	0.86±0.11 <sup>b</sup>	0.42±0.01 <sup>b</sup>	0.59±0.01 <sup>b</sup>	0.11±0.01 <sup>b</sup>
LY	48.54±4.21 <sup>b</sup>	51.46±4.21 <sup>ab</sup>	2.02±0.09 <sup>a</sup>	0.74±0.04 <sup>c</sup>	0.40±0.02 <sup>b</sup>	0.53±0.07 <sup>b</sup>	0.21±0.01 <sup>a</sup>

Data are given as means ± standard deviation (n = 3). Values with the same letter in a column of the same cultivar are not significantly different ( $p < 0.05$ ).

**Supplementary Table S3.** Pearson correlation coefficients for basic compositions, starch structure parameters, thermal properties, and pasting properties of kernel powders from seven ginkgo cultivars.

Items	TSC	AAC	CPC	TAAC	480/942	865/942	952/942
$T_o$	-0.22	-0.62	-0.42	-0.33	0.20	-0.39	0.28
$T_p$	-0.14	-0.16	0.28	0.05	-0.26	0.39	-0.35
$T_c$	-0.03	-0.03	0.63	0.15	-0.55	0.16	-0.12
$\Delta H_{gel}$	-0.11	-0.61	-0.70*	-0.43	0.28	-0.72*	0.65*
$T_o'$	0.04	-0.52	-0.61	0.39	0.32	-0.71*	0.80*
$T_p'$	0.87*	0.82*	-0.06	-0.32	0.50	0.43	-0.13
$T_c'$	0.21	0.72*	0.29	0.21	-0.15	0.78*	-0.75*
$\Delta H_{ret}$	0.16	0.37	0.27	-0.18	-0.56	0.17	-0.45
PV	-0.47	-0.56	-0.46	-0.06	0.70*	-0.58	0.16
HV	-0.44	-0.45	-0.38	0.03	0.75*	-0.48	0.10
BV	-0.49	-0.77*	-0.59	-0.27	0.47	-0.77*	0.31
FV	-0.43	-0.45	-0.53	-0.11	0.72*	-0.58	0.08
SV	-0.23	-0.05	-0.41	-0.07	0.76*	-0.37	-0.14
PT	-0.59	-0.28	0.34	0.37	0.37	0.00	-0.48
$P_{Temp}$	-0.47	-0.12	-0.44	-0.19	0.36	-0.19	-0.66*

\* and \*\* indicated the significance at  $P < 0.05$  and  $P < 0.01$  level, respectively ( $n = 7$ ). TSC, AAC, CPC, and TAAC are the total starch content, apparent amylose content, crude protein content, and total amino acid of ginkgo kernel flours, respectively.  $T_o$ ,  $T_p$ ,  $T_c$ , and  $\Delta H_{gel}$  correspond to the onset temperature, peak temperature, conclusion temperature, and enthalpy of gelatinization of native flours, respectively.  $T_o'$ ,  $T_p'$ ,  $T_c'$ , and  $\Delta H_{ret}$  are the onset temperature, peak temperature, conclusion temperature, and enthalpy of gelatinization of retrogradation, respectively. PV, HV, BV, FV, SV, PT, and  $P_{Temp}$  are the peak viscosity, hot viscosity, breakdown viscosity (PV-HV), final viscosity, setback viscosity (FV-HV), peak time, and pasting temperature, respectively.

**Supplementary Table S4.** Pasting properties of kernel powders from seven ginkgo cultivars treated with water, DDT, and AgNO<sub>3</sub>

Samples	PV(cP)	HV(cP)	BV (cP)	FV (cP)	SV (cP)	PT (min)	P <sub>Temp</sub> (°C)
<i>Powders in Water</i>							
QXG	634.50±19.10 <sup>f</sup>	327.50±13.40 <sup>g</sup>	300.00±15.60 <sup>d</sup>	427.00±22.60 <sup>f</sup>	-192.30±15.60 <sup>g</sup>	4.70±0.10 <sup>b</sup>	82.10±0.20 <sup>c</sup>
DFZ	1162.00±19.80 <sup>d</sup>	810.50±17.70 <sup>d</sup>	340.50±17.70 <sup>c</sup>	1021.00±14.10 <sup>c</sup>	-48.00±20.50 <sup>d</sup>	5.10±0.10 <sup>a</sup>	82.90±0.10 <sup>b</sup>
DTH	1946.50±16.30 <sup>a</sup>	1446.00±17.00 <sup>a</sup>	489.50±14.80 <sup>b</sup>	2121.00±17.00 <sup>a</sup>	204.70±18.40 <sup>a</sup>	5.00±0.10 <sup>ab</sup>	82.80±0.10 <sup>b</sup>
FZ	1818.50±20.50 <sup>b</sup>	1255.50±12.00 <sup>b</sup>	555.00±19.80 <sup>a</sup>	2112.00±15.60 <sup>a</sup>	188.70±15.60 <sup>b</sup>	5.00±0.10 <sup>ab</sup>	83.80±0.10 <sup>a</sup>
ML	532.00±19.80 <sup>g</sup>	416.50±13.40 <sup>f</sup>	110.00±14.10 <sup>e</sup>	541.00±18.40 <sup>e</sup>	-40.30±4.90 <sup>c</sup>	4.80±0.10 <sup>b</sup>	82.90±0.10 <sup>b</sup>
DLY	972.50±13.40 <sup>e</sup>	673.50±16.30 <sup>e</sup>	286.50±14.80 <sup>d</sup>	836.50±21.90 <sup>d</sup>	-114.30±19.10 <sup>f</sup>	5.00±0.10 <sup>ab</sup>	83.10±0.10 <sup>b</sup>
LY	1657.50±13.40 <sup>c</sup>	1064.50±17.70 <sup>c</sup>	581.50±12.00 <sup>a</sup>	1598.50±17.70 <sup>b</sup>	-71.50±21.90 <sup>e</sup>	4.80±0.20 <sup>b</sup>	83.00±0.00 <sup>b</sup>
<i>Powders in AgNO<sub>3</sub></i>							
QXG	3457.00±17.00 <sup>b</sup>	1683.00±15.60 <sup>bc</sup>	1763.50±16.30 <sup>b</sup>	2434.00±18.40 <sup>d</sup>	-1011.50±14.80 <sup>e</sup>	4.50±0.30 <sup>a</sup>	79.40±0.40 <sup>ab</sup>
DFZ	2739.00±18.40 <sup>f</sup>	1455.00±18.40 <sup>e</sup>	1274.50±13.40 <sup>f</sup>	2142.00±14.10 <sup>e</sup>	-589.00±15.60 <sup>c</sup>	4.70±0.20 <sup>a</sup>	79.20±0.80 <sup>ab</sup>
DTH	3233.50±17.70 <sup>d</sup>	1772.00±12.70 <sup>a</sup>	1454.00±15.60 <sup>d</sup>	2631.00±15.60 <sup>a</sup>	-593.00±15.60 <sup>c</sup>	4.50±0.30 <sup>a</sup>	78.60±0.50 <sup>b</sup>
FZ	3328.50±17.70 <sup>c</sup>	1662.50±14.80 <sup>c</sup>	1656.50±16.30 <sup>c</sup>	2543.00±15.60 <sup>b</sup>	-769.50±24.70 <sup>d</sup>	4.40±0.10 <sup>a</sup>	79.40±0.30 <sup>ab</sup>
ML	2369.50±17.10 <sup>g</sup>	1375.50±17.70 <sup>f</sup>	984.50±13.40 <sup>g</sup>	2021.00±17.00 <sup>f</sup>	-333.50±21.90 <sup>a</sup>	4.60±0.20 <sup>a</sup>	80.10±0.40 <sup>a</sup>
DLY	2936.50±17.70 <sup>e</sup>	1524.00±15.60 <sup>d</sup>	1403.00±15.60 <sup>e</sup>	2496.00±12.70 <sup>c</sup>	-431.00±18.40 <sup>b</sup>	4.60±0.20 <sup>a</sup>	79.40±0.30 <sup>ab</sup>
LY	3591.00±12.70 <sup>a</sup>	1712.00±14.10 <sup>b</sup>	1866.00±17.00 <sup>a</sup>	2562.50±16.30 <sup>b</sup>	-1014.50±16.30 <sup>e</sup>	4.40±0.20 <sup>a</sup>	78.80±0.40 <sup>b</sup>
<i>Powders in DTT</i>							
QXG	1694.00±15.60 <sup>d</sup>	996.50±21.90 <sup>e</sup>	683.50±13.40 <sup>a</sup>	2301.50±14.80 <sup>f</sup>	595.50±11.50 <sup>c</sup>	5.20±0.00 <sup>d</sup>	83.80±0.20 <sup>c</sup>
DFZ	1845.00±18.40 <sup>c</sup>	1353.50±16.30 <sup>c</sup>	484.00±12.70 <sup>b</sup>	3157.50±16.30 <sup>a</sup>	1301.00±10.00 <sup>a</sup>	5.40±0.00 <sup>bc</sup>	83.60±0.20 <sup>c</sup>
DTH	2323.00±18.40 <sup>a</sup>	2151.50±12.00 <sup>a</sup>	165.00±15.60 <sup>g</sup>	2430.50±13.40 <sup>d</sup>	96.00±8.00 <sup>f</sup>	7.00±0.00 <sup>a</sup>	84.50±0.20 <sup>b</sup>
FZ	2219.00±17.00 <sup>b</sup>	2001.00±17.00 <sup>b</sup>	207.00±15.60 <sup>f</sup>	2364.50±12.00 <sup>e</sup>	132.00±10.00 <sup>e</sup>	6.90±0.10 <sup>a</sup>	85.30±0.20 <sup>a</sup>
ML	895.00±11.30 <sup>e</sup>	542.50±21.90 <sup>f</sup>	333.00±17.00 <sup>d</sup>	704.00±17.00 <sup>g</sup>	-195.00±8.00 <sup>g</sup>	4.80±0.00 <sup>cd</sup>	83.80±0.20 <sup>c</sup>
DLY	1722.00±15.60 <sup>d</sup>	1298.00±17.00 <sup>d</sup>	415.00±11.30 <sup>c</sup>	2892.00±15.60 <sup>b</sup>	1161.50±8.50 <sup>b</sup>	5.60±0.00 <sup>b</sup>	83.60±0.20 <sup>c</sup>
LY	2297.00±14.10 <sup>a</sup>	2023.50±17.70 <sup>b</sup>	263.50±10.60 <sup>e</sup>	2843.00±17.00 <sup>c</sup>	534.50±13.50 <sup>d</sup>	6.50±0.00 <sup>a</sup>	83.70±0.20 <sup>c</sup>

Data are given as means ± standard deviation (n = 3). Values in the same column with different letters were significantly different (P < 0.05). PV, HV, BV, FV, SV, PT, and P<sub>Temp</sub> are described in the footnotes of Table S3.