

BLUEBERRY

All blueberry varieties require **acidic, well-drained soil**. We recommend Gary's Best Acid Mix. Situate in full sun. Water deeply and regularly throughout the first growing season to establish a strong root system. They don't recover when dried out. Shelter plants from harsh afternoon sun in summer season. Prune your blueberries annually to prevent overbearing. The following varieties are **self-fertile**, however adding a companion for pollination will increase berry size.

Biloxi: ~ <150 MCR

- Upright, vigorous growing bush to 5-6' tall and wide
- Light blue, small to medium-sized, firm berries
- Late spring bloom, mid-late summer harvest
- Suggested for no chill areas where it can be grown as evergreen
- Excellent fall color, good for coastal areas

Emerald: ~250 MCR

- 5-6' tall and wide bush
- Highly productive, mildly sweet tasting fruit
- Flowers in mid January-February
- Fruit ripens mid April-May, long harvest period

Hello Darlin: ~ <250 MCR

- Low chill with compact dense habit
- Green summer leaves, red fall leaves (excellent fall color)
- Grows to 4'-3' tall and wide
- Early ripening and heavy producing

Jewel: ~200-250 MCR

- 6-8 ft tall and wide bush
- Highly productive with large to very large berries and long harvest period
- Tangy-sweet taste
- Harvest can begin late spring through all summer
- Pollinates Emerald

Misty: ~250+ MCR

- vigorous growing bush to 4-6' tall and wide
- Pink berries with sweet, mild flavor
- Late spring bloom, mid-late summer harvest
- Excellent fall color

O'Neal: ~ 300+ MCR

- Compact, semi-evergreen shrub good for patios and containers.
- Vigorous growing 5-6' tall and wide
- Harvest in early summer
- Tolerates heat

Peach Sorbet: ~ <300 MCR

- Compact, semi-evergreen shrub good for patios and containers.
- Medium-sized berry, grows 1-2' tall and wide
- Harvest in early summer
- Flavor is a mix of sweet blueberry and peach cobbler.
- White, showy flowers in spring with colorful foliage ranging from peach orange to emerald green. Foliage goes deep purple in fall.

Pink Icing: ~ <500 MCR

- 3-4' tall and wide (excellent container bush)
- Harvest early summer
- The new foliage is pink before turning green, eventually turning an iridescent turquoise in the winter
- Showy, pink flowers in Spring
- New foliage is pink before turning green, eventually turning an iridescent turquoise in winter
- Large berries with exceptional flavor. Semi-evergreen.

Pink Lemonade: ~250-300 MCR

- Vigorous growing bush to 4-5' tall and wide
- Pink berries with sweet, mild flavor
- Mid to late summer bloom and harvest through October
- These berries start out green, then gradually transition to a pale pink hue before ripening to a darker pink or even a deep purplish-red color

Sharpblue: ~150-200 MCR

- 5-6' tall and wide
- Dime-sized fruit with very sweet flavor
- Early season producer, most climates experience multiple harvests
- Semi-evergreen

Star: ~ >250 MCR

- Southern high bush
- Very short harvest period
- Spring harvest

Sunshine: ~ >200 MCR

- Southern high bush
- Cold hardy
- Low chill

Windsor: ~ <250 MCR

- Southern high bush
- Very large, light-medium colored
- Ripens early season and very productive
- Best to cross pollinate with O'neal, Misty,

BLACKBERRY

All kinds of blackberries produce fruit in summer. Provide slightly acidic, well-draining soil and consistent moisture during the growing season. Situate in full sun. Avoid standing water during cooler temperatures, and provide protection from harsh summer sun in hot climates. Blackberries are susceptible to verticillium wilt, so do not plant your blackberries where tomatoes, potatoes, eggplants or peppers have been grown in the last 3 years. The following varieties are all **self-fertile**.

Kiowa:

- Thorny, upright berry reaching 6' tall and wide.
- Primocane fruiting.
- Very large berries, reaching up to 3". Heavy producer
- Great in jams, jellies, cobbler, wine, juice or syrup.
- Harvest June-July

Prime Ark Freedom:

- Thornless variety
- Fast growing canes reach 5-6' tall and wide
- Primocane fruiting, fruiting late summer to early fall and again in early Summer
- Large, attractive and flavorful fruit. Purple-black color

Olallie:

- Fast-growing, thorny vine; perennial
- Large, firm berries that are sweeter and less tangy than other cultivars
- Spring harvest (much earlier than other cultivars)
- Deciduous

BOYSENBERRY

Created by Rudolph Boysen and popularized by Walter Knott, Boysenberries look much akin to an elongated blackberry and, like blackberries, have a dark purple color with a sweet flavor and hint of tartness. Boysenberries are high in vitamin C, folate, manganese and contain quite a bit of fiber. Situate in full sun with well-draining sandy soil. As plants mature, trellis support will be required. Prune every Fall or early Winter.

- Comes in regular and thornless varieties
- Very large berries are soft, sweet and tart, with pleasant aroma
- Popular for its heavy production
- Produces fruit on second year canes
- Midsummer harvest

RASPBERRY

Situate your raspberry bush in full sun to partial shade, providing well-draining slightly acidic soil. Raspberry canes generally grow to full size their first year, then bear fruit in their second summer. During the first year, the new green cane (**primocane**) grows vegetatively. The cane develops a brown bark, is dormant in winter, and during the second growing season is called a **floricane**. The floricane produces fruit in early to mid summer and then dies. New primocanes are produced each year, so fruit production continues year after year. Primocane-fruiting varieties will produce on first year canes. Prune your raspberry bush annually after harvest, cutting back older canes to the ground. All varieties are **self-fertile**.

Anne (yellow):

- 3-4' tall and wide
- Primocane fruiting; moderate crop early summer followed by larger crop late summer or early fall
- Regarded as the best tasting yellow raspberry
- White, rose-like flowers followed by large, translucent, golden fruit

Bababerry:

- 3-5' tall and wide
- Extra large, flavorful berries
- Excellent in Orange County climate
- Heavy crop May-July, followed by smaller late summer crop

Caroline:

- 4-6' tall
- Large, rich, sweet, full-bodied berry
- Highly adaptable plant
- Self-pollinating

Jewel Black:

- Vigorous, hearty vine with upright growth habit
- Highly disease resistant compared to other black raspberries
- High quality, rich raspberry flavor. Fruit clusters provide large berries
- May-June harvest