

2019 Tait Farm Fruit

Fruit	Zone	Pollination	Size	Price	Description
Asparagus - Jersey Knight	3-8	self-fertile	4-5'		Prolific, all-male strain; super tender speartips stay tight after harvest for weeks of fresh eating; highly resistant to rust, Fusarium, root rot, crown rot, and Cercospora; high yields in heavy clay
Paw Paw	5-9	self-fertile	15-20'		Native; small understory tree or large shrub; cup-shaped purple flowers in April-May give way to edible, oblong, yellowish-green fruits which mature in early fall to dark brown; flavor and fleshy consistency of sweet-flavored fruits resembles bananas; eaten fresh, pies, on ice cream; largest fruit native to North America; deer-resistant; full sun to part shade; medium-wet soil
Grape - Concord	5-9	self-fertile	12-15'		Native; seedless, sweet, juicy, blue-black fruit produced on deciduous fruiting vine; single vine yields 30-40 fruit clusters, up to 50# or more! ripens mid-Sept; exceptional hardiness and vigor; deer resistant; heat tolerant; needs well-drained soil; pies, fresh, jam, jelly
Blueberry - Blue Ray	4-8	self-fertile	4-6'		Early mid-season; extra large berry with very sweet, high quality flavor; delicious and aromatic and resists cracking; ripens in July with harvest going on for weeks; a blaze of crimson in fall; vigorous and productive; widely planted throughout Northeast and Midwest
Blueberry - Bonus	4-7	needs poll.	5-6'		Mid-late season; the largest blueberry available; bright blue with sweet, delicious flavor, mildly acidic; holds beautiful color long after harvest; high quality fruit averaging 100 berries/pound; disease resistant; very good hardiness; excellent productivity; bushes are vigorous, upright; ripens at the very end of July
Blueberry - Duke	4-8	needs poll.	4-8'		Best early-season cultivar, with late bloom to avoid frosts; heavy, consistent producer of exceptional, medium to large, delicious, mildly tart fruit that retains its fresh quality longer than other varieties; attractive yellow-orange fall foliage makes great edible landscaping
Blueberry - Patriot	4-8	needs poll.	4-6'		Early, giant, dark blue, highly flavorful, firm berries ripen in July, up to 20# per plant; consistent yields; adaptable to many soil types; tolerates wet soils better than most; resistant to Phytophthora; striking red, orange and yellow fall foliage; fresh, canning, freezing
Blueberry - Bluecrop	4-7	needs poll.	5-6'		Mid-season, heavy crop of larger-than-average, extremely flavorful firm berries with high sugar content; rarely bothered by late frost; ripens July-August for weeks of harvest, bearing up to 20# per plant; most popular variety in US; disease resistant; crimson fall foliage
Blueberry - Jersey	3-8	needs poll.	5-7'		Late-season, medium-sized, very sweet, juicy fruit in long, loose clusters; heavy, reliable producer; tolerates wide range of soils; ripens in August; one of the oldest and most widely grown cultivars; yields up to 15#; brilliant fall color

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Blueberry - Peach Sorbet	5-10	self-fertile	1.5-2'	Mid-season; compact blueberry with stunning peach, pink, orange, and emerald green leaves that stay on the plant all winter, turning a rich eggplant purple; medium-large fruit sweet with tropical essence, juicy, firm; perfect for container growing
Blueberry - Perpetua	4-8	self-fertile	4-5'	Blooms twice! small, deep blue berries are sweet and delectable; blooms first in mid-summer, and then reblooms late summer for another crop early fall; glossy dark green foliage and delicate white blooms in spring and summer, berries in summer and fall, shades of red foliage in autumn, and branches that turn red and gold in winter
Blueberry - Polaris	3-7	needs poll.	3-4'	Early, medium-sized, powder blue, aromatic, extra sweet-tasting fruit ripens late July-early August; fragrant white bell-shaped flowers early May; red-orange fall foliage; half-high blueberry, with dense foliage and small stature of lowbush, fruit size and large yields of highbush; container
Blackberry - Chester	5-8	self-fertile	3-5'	Semi-erect, thornless, blackberry produces high yields of large, firm fruit with juicy texture of excellent eating quality; ripens mid-late July; the most winter hardy of the thornless blackberries; resistant to stem blight
Raspberry - Heritage	4-8	self-fertile	4-6'	Red everbearing; medium-sized, bright red, extra sweet, juicy berries hold well on plant and after picking; full to partial sun; yield 1-2 qt; 1st crop early July, 2nd heavier crop Sept. to frost; strong, vigorous thornless canes; suckers prolifically; mow to ground late fall; fresh, canning, freezing
Raspberry - Joan J	4-8	self-fertile	5-6'	Red everbearing; large, firm, exceptionally delicious red berries are firm and release easily for easy picking; super yielder; excellent for fresh eating and freezing, excellent winter hardiness; ripens July and Sept; mow off spring canes to increase fall harvest
Raspberry - Caroline	4-9	self-fertile	4-6'	Red everbearing; the standard for all red raspberries; large, round, firm, juicy fruit known for exceptional flavor; produces one crop early summer and a heavier crop August to frost; resistant to grey mold and root rot; thornless
Raspberry - Polana	3-8	self-fertile	5-6'	Earliest red everbearing - the standard; plethora of medium-large, glossy, large, sweet, succulent berries on manageable plants; short, vigorous canes; ripens early; guaranteed good crop even in northern gardens; highly productive
Raspberry - Rockin' Double	4-8	self-fertile	5-6'	Red everbearing; very large, high quality, conical, abundant, juicy fruit with excellent flavor and keeping; easy to harvest; much larger fruit than is currently found on the market; summer and fall harvest if managed that way; great fall harvest if all canes mowed back late winter, early spring
Raspberry - Shortcake	4-9	self-fertile	2-3'	Dwarf, thornless, red, summer berry on a compact, rounded plant that has dense, rich foliage and requires no staking; perfect for patio pot or can be grown in landscape as well; midsummer harvest; fruits on 1 yr. old canes, so cut out dead canes in spring but leave new growth on old canes as well as new young canes shooting up from bottom

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Raspberry Black - Bristol	4-8	self-fertile	4-5'	Early; best-tasting black raspberry; medium, firm, glossy, gorgeous berries with excellent flavor; vigorous, upright canes do not need staking; cluster of fruit and habit make it easy to pick fruit; ripens July; fruits on 2nd year canes; prune off fruiting canes after harvest; do not plant red, gold or purple raspberries within 100' as Bristol is more susceptible to viruses carried by aphids that frequent these plants
Raspberry Black - Jewel	5-8	self-fertile	4-6'	Black; firm, juicy, glossy, mid-season berry with rich, sweet, raspberry flavor; clusters of fruit ripen uniformly for concentrated harvest starting early July; yield 1-2 qt; resistant to anthracnose disease; adaptable; fresh, canning, freezing, desserts, jams, jellies
Rhubarb - Canada Red	3-8	self-fertile	2-3'	Beautiful long, red, thick stalks in early spring are crisp and firm; natural sweetness requires less sugar than most other varieties; color won't fade in cooking; perfect for strawberry red sauces, mouth-watering pies, baked goods and preserves; drought resistant; eat stalks only; do not harvest first year; yield 4-12# at maturity; space 3-4' for best yield; cold-hardy; heat tolerant
Kiwi Hardy	4-9'	needs poll.	to 40'	Perennial vine bears greenish-yellow, grape-sized, thin-walled fruit with small seeds; can be eaten whole and unpeeled; fast-growing; needs trellis; 1 male can pollinate 6 females; best yields in full sun; higher sugar content when left to ripen on vine; ripens late; fruit by 4th year; full crop after 8th year
Currant Red Lake	3-7	self-fertile	3-5'	Long pendant clusters of large, bright red, tart, tasty fruit; attractive, compact, mounding, deciduous shrub; sun to part shade; attracts birds; aromatic leaves when crushed; bears fruit 1st year; remove stems older than 3 years; prune to 1-2 buds per stem; jams, jellies, pies, syrup, wine, pastry
Gooseberry Hinomaki	3-7	self-fertile	3-5'	Mid-season variety from Finland, ruby berries are tart and sweet; tart skin covers sweet flesh; tasty, superb flavor; high yields; upright habit; bears fruit 1 yr. after planting; fresh, pies, jam