

BLACKBERRIES

Blackberries are self-pollinating so another pollinating cultivar is not needed for fruit production. Grow blackberries in full sun and in well-drained soil. For areas with heavy clay soils, consider planting in raised beds or amending soils with organic matter. Trailing and semi-erect vines will need trellising. Everbearing plants can be double cropped to produce a small fall crop and a larger summer crop on the same cane. Prune dormant plants in late winter or early spring. For **everbearing** types, remove the top portion of the cane that fruited the previous season. A second crop will be produced on the remaining portion of the cane. These should be cut to the ground the following winter. For **summer bearing** types, prune any canes that produced fruit the previous season at the ground. For both types, remove any dead, thin, or weak canes leaving 7-10 good canes. During the season, pinch off an inch or so of the top of each primocane (new cane) 2x a season: when they've grown about 12-15 in. tall, and again when they've grown about 30 in. tall. This will encourage the cane to branch laterally. Fruit comes on earlier, the plant doesn't get so tall, and yields increase.

<u>Cultivar</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Habit</u>	<u>Thorns</u>	<u>Zone</u>	<u>Plant Description</u>
Baby Cakes	Everbearing	Dwarf	Thornless	4-8	New! Plants are upright, compact, and perfect for containers! Large, sweet berries can be double cropped.
Black Satin Thornless	Summer Bearing	Semi-erect	Thornless	6-9	Heavy yields of large, firm, glossy berries that are very sweet. Perfect for preserves, pastries, and fresh eating. Resistant to Septoria Leaf Spot and Anthracnose. Ripens in July. Good cold (to -15°F) and heat tolerance.
Boysenberry Thornless	Summer Bearing	Trailing	Thornless	5-8	Very large, almost seedless, sweet, dark maroon berries are aromatic, juicy and richly flavored. Excellent for eating fresh, juice, syrup, wine, freezing, canning, pastries, and preserves. Ripens in July. Trailing vines are easy to trellis.
Chester Thornless	Summer Bearing	Trailing	Thornless	5-8	Medium to large, sweet, flavorful, deep black berries. High quality, high yields. Excellent for fresh eating, wines, jams, jellies, and pies. The most resistant to Cane Blight caused by Botryosphaeria Dothidea. Ripens in August. One of the hardest thornless cultivars.
Loch Ness Thornless	Summer Bearing	Semi-erect	Thornless	5-9	A truly thornless blackberry that is one of the best for the home garden. It does not produce thorny canes from the roots like other thornless blackberries. Can be grown like raspberries as its semi-erect canes need little support. Very productive, large crops of fruit with excellent flavor. Ripens late - August-September.
Marionberry	Summer Bearing	Trailing	Thorny	6-9	Large, bright black berries have rich flavor and make superb pies, jellies, juices and are delicious eaten fresh. Canes are vigorous and strong. Named for Marion County, Oregon where it was developed. Ripens July-August.
Natchez Thornless	Summer Bearing	Semi-erect	Thornless	5-9	Sweet and glossy berries are held in clusters. Fruit stores well is tasty fresh and in jellies, jams, and pies. Disease resistant and high yielding. Trellising is recommended to support the heavy fruit load. Ripens June.
Navajo Thornless	Summer Bearing	Erect	Thornless	5-9	Shiny black berries are sweet, firm, short, conical, and delicious fresh and in preserves and baked goods. A vigorous and very low maintenance thornless cultivar that is self-supporting and winter hardy. Height 4-5 ft. Ripens late July-August.
Olallie	Summer Bearing	Trailing	Thorny	4-11	A cross between logan- and youngberries with medium, deep purple berries. Fruit has a slightly tart blackberry flavor that is popular in ice cream, baked goods, and preserves.
Ouachita Thornless	Summer Bearing	Erect	Thornless	5-9	High yields of medium-large, firm, very sweet berries, excellent for all uses. Ripens June. Disease resistant. Grows to 4-5ft.

Prime Ark Freedom Thornless	Everbearing	Erect	Thornless	5-8	Very large, sweet, firm berries are delicious fresh, frozen, and in pastries or preserves. Produces fruit first on the year old canes (floricanes) in June. Then, produces a later crop on the new canes (primocanes) mid-July. Disease resistant.
Sweet-Ark Caddo	Summer Bearing	Erect	Thornless	5-9	Medium to large, oblong berries are sweet, aromatic and flavorful. Productive, hardy, and healthy, disease resistant plants are consistently high yielding. Stores well fresh and is excellent for freezing, preserves, and pastries. Ripens mid-June.
Sweet-Ark Ponca Thornless	Summer Bearing	Erect	Thornless	5-9	Extremely sweet, medium-sized, round berries have amazing flavor and are excellent for freezing, fresh eating, preserves and pastries. Compact plants ripen early and have a long fruiting season. Ripens June.
Triple Crown Thornless	Summer Bearing	Semi-erect	Thornless	6-9	Heavy yields of large, firm, glossy berries that are very sweet. Perfect for preserves, pastries, fresh eating. Resistant to Septoria Leaf Spot and Anthracnose and mildew tolerant. Ripens in July.
Twilight	Summer Bearing	Semi-erect	Thornless	5-9	New! Berries are firm, very large, and dark purple with a flavor described as blackberry jam with honey and floral notes. Excellent for fresh eating. Good yields.

RASPBERRIES

Raspberries are self-pollinating so another pollinating cultivar is not needed for fruit production. Grow raspberries in full sun and in well-drained soil. For areas with heavy clay soils, consider planting in raised beds or amending soils with organic matter. Everbearing plants can be double cropped to produce a small fall crop and a larger summer crop on the same cane. Prune dormant plants in late winter or early spring. For **everbearing** types, remove the top portion of the cane that fruited the previous season. A second crop will be produced on the remaining portion of the cane. These should be cut to the ground the following winter. For **summer bearing** types, prune any canes that produced fruit the previous season at the ground. For both types, remove any dead, thin, or weak canes leaving 7-10 good canes. During the season, pinch off an inch or so of the top of each primocane (new cane) 2x a season: when they've grown about 12-15 in. tall, and again when they've grown about 30 in. tall. This will encourage the cane to branch laterally.

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Amity	Everbearing	Red	Thorny	3-8	Large, firm berries have classic raspberry flavor. Dark red fruit are excellent in baked goods and preserves and for fresh eating. 5-6' plants are especially cold hardy.
Anne	Everbearing	Yellow	Thorny	4-9	Very large, sweet, firm berries are considered one of the best yellows. Delicious fresh, makes wonderful jam, freezes well, and is beautiful in pastries. Floricanes ripen July-August, primocanes ripen September to frost.
Baba Red	Everbearing	Red	Thorny	4-11	Sweet, firm berries are extra large (up to 1.5 in.) and excellent for fresh eating, freezing, preserves, and baked goods. Plants are widely adapted and tolerant of hot, dry summers. Ripens May-July with a second, smaller crop in the fall.
Boyne	Summer Bearing	Red	Thorny	2-7	Tender, juicy, dark red berries are aromatic and medium sweet. Especially good for jams, jellies and freezing. Plants are very productive with strong, heavy, sturdy canes growing to 5-5 1/2' that are exceptionally cold hardy. Ripens late July.
Bristol Black	Summer Bearing	Black	Thorny	4-8	Berries are large, firm, good quality and have excellent flavor. Good for fresh eating, canning, freezing. Plants are upright making berries easy to pick. Very good yields. Ripens late July.
Canby	Summer Bearing	Red	Thornless	4-8	Berries are large, firm, juicy and bright red with excellent flavor. Great for freezing, canning and preserves, pastries, and fresh eating. Vigorous, productive canes bear heavily. Virus resistant. Summer crop ripens late July/August.
Caroline	Everbearing	Red	Thorny	4-7	Large, rich red berries have full bodied, intense flavor. Plants are very productive and disease resistant. Suitable for all purposes: fresh eating, baking, preserves, freezing, canning. Ripens June, then August-September.
Chilcoten	Summer Bearing	Red	Nearly Thornless	5-7	Firm, medium sized berries with exceptional flavor and color. Canes are vigorous and nearly thorn free. Long fruiting season from late July to early August.
Double Gold	Everbearing	Yellow	Thorny	4-8	Considered a yellow raspberry, however, berries are a unique coral shade. Deliciously sweet, they are great for fresh eating, freezing, and make an unusually colored jam and jelly. Vigorous, disease resistant, productive canes. Ripens July and September.
Encore	Summer Bearing	Red	Thornless	4-9	Large berries are very sweet. Plants are highly productive with good cold and heat tolerance. Ripens mid/late summer.
Fall Gold	Everbearing	Yellow	Thorny	4-8	Large, conical, non-crumbling, soft berries are very sweet. Beautiful color and excellent for fresh eating. First crop ripens in July, second crop from late August until frost.

Heritage	Everbearing	Red	Thorny	4-9	A classic! Large, sweet, dark red berries have mild flavor. Good for fresh eating, freezing, canning, and preserves. Berries hold well on the vine. Vigorous plants are resistant to powdery mildew. First crop mid July, second crop early September.
Jewel Black	Summer Bearing	Black	Thorny	5-8	Large, black, glossy berries that are firm and of good quality. Great for jams and jellies. Resistant to anthracnose. Ripens early July.
Joan J	Everbearing	Red	Thornless	4-8	Large, firm, sweet berries release well and are easy to pick. Delicious fresh and excellent for freezing. Plants are high yielding and can be grown in containers. Floricane crop late June-early July, and primocane crop late August into September.
Killarney	Summer Bearing	Red	Thorny	3-7	Great aroma and flavor. Excellent for freezing, canning, pie, fresh eating. Sturdy growth habit and very hardy. Ripens late July. From Manitoba.
Latham	Summer Bearing	Red	Thorny	3-8	A garden favorite. Firm, medium sized berries have good flavor. Plants are adaptable to a wide range of soil conditions, resistant to root rot, cold hardy, and have medium vigor. Ripens mid-summer.
Royalty Purple	Summer Bearing	Purple	Thorny	4-8	Cross of black and red raspberries. Berries are large with excellent flavor. Good fresh or in baked goods and preserves. Can be used in the red or sweeter, purple stage. Plants are vigorous and cold hardy. Ripens late summer.
Shortcake	Summer Bearing	Red	Thornless	5-9	New! Medium sized, sweet berries have hints of vanilla. Plants are compact and grow to 2-3' tall. Perfect for containers or small gardens!
Souris	Summer Bearing	Red	Thorny	3-7	Good all-around cultivar. Flavor is good with a sweet/tart balance that works well for fresh eating, preserves, and baking. Plants are robust and cold tolerant with high yields.