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## **Blueberry Glaze Blueberry**



## Blueberry Glaze® Blueberry Vaccinium 'ZF08-095'

Height: 30 inches

Spread: 30 inches

Sunlight: 

Hardiness Zone: 5a

### **Description:**

This exciting, compact dwarf variety produces white flowers in spring, then flavorful berries appear, that change from yellow, to red, then dark blue; great for the landscape or patio containers

#### **Edible Qualities**

Blueberry Glaze Blueberry is a small shrub that is commonly grown for its edible qualities. It produces large clusters of navy blue round berries which are usually ready for picking in mid summer. The berries have a sweet taste and a juicy texture.

The berries are most often used in the following ways:

- Fresh Eating
- Cooking
- Baking
- Preserves



Blueberry Glaze Blueberry flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Blueberry Glaze Blueberry in fall Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

## Features & Attributes

Blueberry Glaze Blueberry features dainty clusters of white bell-shaped flowers hanging below the branches in mid spring, which emerge from distinctive rose flower buds. It has dark green deciduous foliage. The glossy oval leaves turn outstanding shades of yellow, red and deep purple in the fall. It features an abundance of magnificent navy blue berries in mid summer.

This is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a mounded form. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition. This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and usually looks its best without pruning, although it will tolerate pruning. It is a good choice for attracting birds to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Aside from its primary use as an edible, Blueberry Glaze Blueberry is sutiable for the following landscape applications;

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- Accent
- General Garden Use
- Orchard/Edible Landscaping
- Container Planting

### **Planting & Growing**

Blueberry Glaze Blueberry will grow to be about 30 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 30 inches. It tends to be a little leggy, with a typical clearance of 1 foot from the ground. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 30 years. While it is considered to be somewhat self-pollinating, it tends to set heavier quantities of fruit with a different variety of the same species growing nearby.

This shrub is typically grown in a designated area of the yard because of its mature size and spread. It does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is very fussy about its soil conditions and must have sandy, acidic soils to ensure success, and is subject to chlorosis (yellowing) of the foliage in alkaline soils. It is quite intolerant of urban pollution, therefore inner city or urban streetside plantings are best avoided, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in winter to protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.

Blueberry Glaze Blueberry is a good choice for the edible garden, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. It can be used either as 'filler' or as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, depending on the height and form of the other plants used in the container planting. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden. Be aware that in our climate, most plants cannot be expected to survive the winter if left in containers outdoors, and this plant is no exception. Contact our experts for more information on how to protect it over the winter months.