Cherokee County Extension 2020 Fruit Plant Sale
All orders are pre-paid. Orders will be taken through October 23, 2020. Make checks to Cherokee County Extension/4-H. Proceeds to go to the creation of an Educational Orchard & Garden project in Veteran’s Park.
One day pick up – Friday, October 30, 2020, 10:00am to 6:00pm.
Pick up Location: Cherokee Veterans Park • 7345 Cumming Hwy. • Canton, Ga. 30115.

DESCRIPTIONS OF THE PLANTS THAT WILL BE AVAILABLE

BLACKBERRY:
Natchez – Thorn-less, upright growth habit. Very large berry that produces huge crops. Ripens before Apache and Ouachita.

Navaho – Thorn-less, upright growth habit. Fruit are medium size, with excellent flavor with 11-12% sugar content. Fruit are also firm for a blackberry making storage and handling easier. Fruit ripen in mid season over five to six weeks.

Ouachita – Thorn-less, upright growth habit. Fruit are large in size, with very good flavor with sugar content of 10-11%. Mid season ripening over five weeks, with high yields.

BLUEBERRY: EARLY (RABBITYE CULTIVARS)

Austin - Fruit ripens with and sometimes just after Climax variety. Plants have a good upright growth and flower approximately one week after Climax. The fruit is medium to large in size with a good flavor and stem scar. Austin is recommended for home and commercial use. Suggested pollinators are Alapaha, Climax, Brightwell and Premier. Chilling requirement is 500 to 550 hours.

Climax – Early fruiting that requires 450 to 500 chilling hours maturing normally in middle of June. Plants have upright growth habits with more of an open spreading crown than other varieties. Climax has been used for years in commercial, pick your own and home settings. Berries are firm with excellent flavor, good color and a very small stem scar. Suggested pollinators are Austin and Premier.

Vernon - Vernon is an early season blueberry released in 2004. The variety has good yields and excellent plant vigor. Plants of Vernon flower relatively late (7 days after Climax in south Georgia), yet ripen early (at the same time, or before Climax and Premier). Berries of Vernon are large and have excellent firmness. Color and flavor are good and dry scars contribute to good shelf life. Vernon is recommended where blueberries are grown successfully as an early ripening cultivar to replace Climax and/or Premier. The estimated chill requirement of the variety is 500 hours. The variety should be planted with other blueberries for cross pollination. Alapaha and Brightwell are recommended companion varieties.

BLUEBERRY: MID TO LATE

Ochlockonee - Ochlockonee is a 2002 release of the University of Georgia. Fruit ripens late June through mid-August producing excellent yields. It has good berry color, firmness and a dry picking scar. Plant growth habit is very vigorous and upright. Suggested pollinators are Brightwell and Powderblue. Chilling requirement is 600-650 hours.

Krewer – Krewer™ is a newer release by the University of Georgia. Large berries, nearly the size of a quart, with high yielding, vigorous plants.

Delite – Late ripening-mid to late July. Plants have upright growth with medium size fruit, good flavor and dry stem scar. Good for home use and pick your own.

Low Bush (Dwarf) Blueberry

Top Hat – Excellent container plant with compact mounded form. Pollinator plant will increase yields but not required for fruit. Fruit ripens late season and has more of a wild blueberry taste than other rabbiteye varieties.

Sunshine Blue – compact, rounded form that works well in containers or landscape situations where a low growing shrub is desired. Ripens before “Top Hat” in early to mid season.

Mulberry:

Dwarf Everbearing – Easy to grow plant that forms a large bush in the ground or can be managed in a container with pruning. Produces abundant sweet, medium sized fruit throughout the season.
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BROWN TURKEY – Fruit are medium to large in size, copper color skin, amber to pink color flesh, a very good flavor, a closed eye and very few seeds. Plants are very prolific, many times producing fruit twice a year. Brown Turkey is usually cold hardy as far north as climate zone 5 and they are self-pollinating. Recommended for fresh eating, drying, canning and preserves. Climate Zone 6-9

CELESTE – Fruit are small to medium in size, light brown to violet-brown skin, whitish pink colored flesh, a closed eye and very few seeds. Plants produce in early summer. They are cold hardy through climate zone 6 and are self-pollinating. Climate zone 6-9.

CHICAGO HARDY – Fruit are small to medium in size, black fruit with sweet rich flavor. Cold hardy to zone 6.

PEACHES:

BELLE OF GEORGIA – Large fruit. Light skin with a red cheek. Excellent flavored, free stone type. Mid to late season. 800 chill hour.

CONTENDER – Large with red blush, firm yellow flesh. Free stone and blooms late. 1050 chill hour.

RED HAVEN – Medium size with bright red skin, yellow flesh free stone. Early season. 800 chill hour.

PEAR:

MOONGLOW - Fruit are medium in size, yellow in color, white flesh, soft with excellent flavor and ripens early. Trees have upright growth and are blight resistant. Chilling requirement is 700 hours. Climate zones 5-8.

PINEAPPLE – Fruit are large in size, yellow with reddish tint color, white flesh, unique flavor, ripens early. Trees are medium in size, very prolific, and blight resistant. Pineapple is an ideal variety for the south. Chilling requirement is 150 hours. Climate Zones 7-9.

PERSIMMON:

HANNA FUYU – Fruit are non-astringent, medium to large in size, excellent flavor, oblate shape, dark orange skin, light orange flesh and ripens late. Tree growth habit is vigorous and upright. Fuyu is the most common variety around the world. It has many great qualities that make it highly recommended for planting. Climate zone 7-10.

HACHIYA – Large, acorn shaped fruits up to 4” long. The astringent fruits must be fully ripe and soft to be enjoyed.

PLUM:

METHLEY – Fruit are medium to large in size, reddish purple in color, sweet juicy flesh, and ripen early. Trees have upright growth habit, are well adapted in most soils and are good pollinators. Chilling requirement is 250 hours. Climate Zones 5-9.


MUSCADINE:

Nesbit – Black; large berries ripen over an extended season. Flavor is excellent with tough skin.

Triumph – Bronze. Excellent pollinator fruit are medium in size, with good quality and average production. Dry stem scar. Very cold hardy. Plants are very vigorous and disease resistant. 18% sugar.

Tara - Bronze; excellent pollinator. Good size, quality fruit. Plants are very vigorous and disease resistant 17% sugar.

Hunt (female) – Black; medium size with good flavor. Large clusters with medium to high yields. Wet stem scar. Plants are very vigorous and have good cold tolerance. 16-17% sugar content. Requires a self-fertile variety within 50’ to cross-pollinate

Jumbo (female) - Black; fruit are large in size, high yields, very good flavor. Plants are cold hardy, have good disease resistance, and are very vigorous. Sugar Content 15%. Requires a self-fertile variety within 50’ to cross-pollinate

RASPBERRY:


HERITAGE - Fruit are large in size, dark red and very sweet. Plants have vigorous growth habits and adapts well in most well drained soils. Climate Zones 4-10.

STRAWBERRIES:

Chandler – Short-day “June-bearing” variety. Produces firm, medium-large berries with great flavor.

Monterey – Day-neutral “everbearing” variety. Large berries are moderately firm with excellent flavor.