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Peach Sorbet® Blueberry

Vaccinium 'ZF06-043'

Height: 24 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 4b

Description:

This exciting, compact dwarf variety is evergreen in most climates with glossy leaves that range from pink to orange to emerald green, turning deep purple in winter; abundant crop of sweet blueberries in mid summer; great for garden or patio



Peach Sorbet Blueberry foliage
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Edible Qualities

Peach Sorbet Blueberry is a small shrub that is commonly grown for its edible qualities, although it does have ornamental merits as well. It produces clusters of blue round berries which are usually ready for picking from early to 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



Peach Sorbet Blueberry fruit
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Features & Attributes

Peach Sorbet Blueberry features dainty clusters of white bell-shaped flowers hanging below the branches in mid spring. It has green evergreen foliage. The glossy oval leaves turn an outstanding deep purple in the fall, which persists throughout the winter. It features an abundance of magnificent blue berries from early to mid summer.

This is a multi-stemmed evergreen 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, Peach Sorbet Blueberry is sutiable for the following landscape applications;

- Orchard/Edible Landscaping

Planting & Growing

Peach Sorbet Blueberry will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. It has a low canopy. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 30 years. This variety requires a different selection of the same species growing nearby in order to set fruit.

This shrub is quite ornamental as well as edible, and is as much at home in a landscape or flower garden as it is in a designated edibles garden. 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.



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