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Built By

(Lower Photo)

A section of field No. 2 in July shows hand-cultivation methods.

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Birdseye view of Plots 126 to 248.

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New Freedom, Pa.

We want to tell you we like your Bulletin on Better Berries very much and we hope you continue this service.

Ernest Russell

Phoenicia, N. Y.

Thanks indeed for your Bulletin Better Berries. I have just finished picking a nice quantity of strawberries from the plants purchased from you last year, and was wondering just what to do for next year's crop. The items on strawberries are very helpful. Will be awaiting future bulletins.

C. F. Simpson

Siler, Virginia

I sincerely appreciate you sending these bulletins and always keep my name on the list because they are very worthwhile.

Bruce A. Whitcraft

Trenton, N. J.

Your bulletin is excellent. So were your strawberry plants we ordered last spring.

Mrs. H. R. Jamieson

Orefield, Pa.

I shall enjoy my garden so much more through the help of the "Bulletin". Please continue sending it.

Mrs. D. Patnay

Saginaw, Mich.

I think your little bulletin is a fine thing for people like me who have a lot to learn about strawberries.

Chas. Ziegler

Nanuet, N. Y.

Many thanks for "Better Berries". It has answered some perplexing questions for me.

Geo. W. Miller

Greenwood, R. I.

Thank you for sending copy of "Better Berries" Pamphlet. Very instructive.

Fred. L. Guillette

Neffsville, Pa.

We appreciate your service bulletin. More power to you.

G. G. Huber

Middletown, New York

This is the most complete and valuable information that has come to me in a long time and shall keep it on file at the top of the list.

Theodore L. Reeve

Pt. Pleasant, New York

Thank you for your No. 1 bulletin on Better Berries. It has been a help coming as a reminder to take care of the berries at the proper time.

Mrs. Frank H. Stein

Mechanicsburg, Pa.

Your "Better Berries" information will be read and the information used by us. We are grateful to you for this better berry boon.

Mrs. Fred Royce

Canton, New York

I wish to inform you that I was pleased with the June No. 1 Bulletin on Plant Culture and find it most helpful.

Harvey L. Watson

Warren, Mass.

The June bulletin proved very helpful to me.

Mrs. Marie Solls

Lynn, Mass.

Just a note to tell you how much I appreciated the magazine Better Berries.

Mrs. Grace Raynes

Mascoutah, Ill.

We are very interested in the bulletin that you sent.

Wm. Konert

Amityville, New York

I am very much interested in your new Bulletin Service. Keep it up.

John Ossenfort

Arnold, Mo.

Thank you so much for the leaflet "Better Berries" No. 1. You can't imagine how helpful this one has been to me.

Mrs. Else A. Kattwasser

Urbana, Ohio

Received your Bulletin for Better Berries and I think it will be a good thing to have for every one concerned.

Orra J. Epla

Durham, N. C.

Thank you very much for the bulletin I received this A.M. I appreciate being on your mailing list.

B. U. Rose

Searsmont, Maine

I was very glad to get your new bulletin on plant culture. I think it is a very good idea.

George Riley

Newark, Del.

Your bulletin received recently is very much appreciated.

George E. C. Davis

Forty Fort, Pa.

Your newly established Bulletin Service is a grand idea.

Mrs. Voris B. Hall

North Caldwell, N. J.

Just a note to thank you and congratulate you on your "Better Berries" - good information, much appreciated.

Sidney P. Herbert

Cumberland, Ohio

Received your Bulletin for June. Find it instructive and interesting.

Chas. W. Teel

Detroit, Mich.

I received your June 1949 No. 1 Bulletin and as an amateur gardener I am sure these Bulletins are going to be a great help.

S. T. Petoskey

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There are no "get-rich-quick" schemes in this Catalog because we never met a grower who made a million dollars on strawberries or other small fruits. But we do business with thousands of growers who find that year after year their investment in our quality plants brings a greater return than anything they grow.

Strawberries are the first local fruit to ripen in the Spring. Accorded a welcome enjoyed by no other fruit, there never seems to be enough of these luscious treats to meet the demand. And because of their popularity with frozen foods processors this demand is due to increase. That's why it will pay you to grow strawberries, whether for your own use or for market. The same can be said of blueberries, raspberries and other berry fruits.

We ask that you accept this, our Twenty-fourth Catalog, as a personal message from us. We have attempted to tell you about our plants just as if you were visiting our nursery. Our descriptions are as honest and accurate as we know how to make them. It is our desire to give you information to enable you to make selections that will give you greatest satisfaction and profit from your efforts.

Customer satisfaction comes first at Rayner Brothers. Our business has been built on repeat orders from satisfied customers and we believe we have enjoyed a growth unparalleled in the fruit plant industry.

We would appreciate the privilege of supplying your planting needs in 1950.

Sincerely yours,

Jack & Bob Rayner

Discing down a crop of *crotalaria spectabilis* is one step in preparing this field for 1950 plantings.

One of the Nation's Largest Selections

32 - VARIETIES - 32

**Rayner Brothers Eliminate the Guesswork by Helping You
Select Varieties Proved Successful in Your Area**

Rayner Brothers offer a selection of 32 strawberry varieties because we know from experience that some varieties do much better in a given area than others. Constant contact with growers throughout this Nation enables us to provide you the benefit of their experience in making your choice of strawberry varieties best adapted to your area. This same service is available for selections of other fruits offered by us. Note the easy-to-follow chart on the next page.

Rayner Brothers Offer You Outstanding Plant Selections

STRAWBERRIES—Pages 5 to 21.

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BLACKBERRIES—Page 30.

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Complete Planting and Cultural Instructions Mailed On Receipt of Your Order and With Your Plant Shipment.

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Plant Care Bulletins Mailed to Our Customers At Regular Intervals With Timely Seasonal Advice and Ideas.

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A Free Customer Consultation Service to Assist You With Any Planting Plans or Problems.

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with

Good Plants Good Instructions Good Advice

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WHERE THEY DO BEST

Variety Preferences by States and Areas

Based on climatic adaptability and record of performance under weather conditions expected during a normal year.

SELECT THIS EASY WAY

FIRST—Underscore Your State With Pencil.

Alabama—B-I-K-SU-E
Arizona—I-K
Arkansas—B-SU-A-F-M-O-J-T
California—B-I-K-E
Colorado—A-SD-P-F-M-T-MA-SP
Connecticut—F-P-C-CH-H-S
AM-AB-FP-T-RS-W-MA-G-SP
SR-N-R
Delaware—B-F-P-C-CH-H-S-R
FP-L-J-T-M
Dist. Columbia (See Maryland)
Florida—I-E
Georgia (south)—B-I-E
(north)—K-SU-F-B-A-M-T
Idaho—P-W-MA-G-SR-C-SD-SP
Illinois (south)—H-S-D-FP-L-J
T-B-SU-A-F-SD-CH-R
(north)—P-C-S-J-RS-AM-W
MA-SR-SP
Indiana—H-S-D-F-J-T-RS-W-SP
AM-S-F-SD-P-C-CH-MA-G-R
Iowa—B-A-SD-CH-H-R-P-C-S
AM-AB-D-FP-J-T-RS-W-R
SR-G-MA-SP
Kansas—B-A-F-SD-P-C-H-S-FP
J-T-MA-G-SR-M-D-SP
Kentucky—B-S-F-P-C-H-D
FP-J-T-M-A
Louisiana (south)—K-SU-E-I
(north)—B-K-SU-E

Maine—F-SD-P-C-S-RS-W-MA
G-SR-AM-R-AB-N-Q-SP
Maryland—B-SU-F-CH-H-D-FP
L-J-T-P-C-RS-R-MA-SR-SP
Q-AB
Massachusetts—F-P-C-H-S-J-T
RS-W-AB-Q-MA-G-SR-R-AM
SP
Michigan—F-SD-P-C-S-RS
W-N-MA-SR-R-AM-SP
Minnesota—SD-P-C-MA-G-SR-W
Mississippi—B-I-K-SU-E
Missouri—A-F-P-C-CH-MA-H
D-FP-L-J-T-S
Montana—SD-P-C-W-MA-SP
Nebraska—SD-P-C-MA-G-SR
S-RS-W-N
Nevada—P-C-CH
New Hampshire—SD-P-C-MA-G
SR-N-S-AM-R-AB-Q-SP
New Jersey—B-F-P-C-CH-Q-H
S-FP-L-J-T-R-AB-G-SP-SR
MA
New Mexico—I-K-SD
New York—F-P-C-CH-MA-G-SR
N-S-T-RS-W-AM-R-Q-AB-SP
North Carolina—B-I-K-SU-F-O-T
(western)—P-C-H-S-J-T
North Dakota—F-P-C-MA-G-SP
SR-W-AM-R

Ohio (south)—B-SU-A-P-C-H-S
D-FP-L-J-T-Q-AB
(north)—F-P-C-CH-MA-SR-N
S-T-W-R-AM-D-SP
Oklahoma—B-A-F
Oregon—F-MA-G-SR-S-T-RS-SP
W-P-C
Pennsylvania—F-P-C-CH-MA-SP
G-SR-W-N-H-S-D-FP-T-RS
R-AM-Q-AB
Rhode Island—F-P-C-CH-MA-G
SR-RS-N-S-D-RS-W-R-SP
South Carolina—B-I-K-SU-E
South Dakota—SD-P-C-MA-G
SR-W-SP
Tennessee—B-SU-A-H-FP-L-J
Texas—B-I-K-E
Utah—P-C-CH-MA-G-SR-W-SP
Vermont—SD-P-C-MA-G-SR-T
N-S-W-R-AM-SP
Virginia—B-SU-F-P-C-CH-H-D
J-T
(coastal)—B-SU-F-H-L-J-T
Washington—H-S-D-T-G-MA-SR
West Virginia—B-S-FP-J-T-B
F-P-C-CH-R-AM-MA-SP
Wisconsin—W-SD-P-C-MA-SP
Wyoming—W-SD-P-C-MA-SP

NOW UNDERSCORE VARIETIES FROM THE KEY LETTERS BEHIND YOUR STATE STRAWBERRIES — Page Number After Each Variety

AB—Aberdeen 18
A—Aroma 18
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BM—Brune's Marvel 18
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E—Klonmore 17
F—Fairfax 10
FP—Fairpeake 14
G—Gem 20

H—Midland 6
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J—Big Joe 16
K—Klondike 17
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M—Maytime 6
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N—Fairland 15
O—Massey 17
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(or Howard 17)

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SP—Superfection 21
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VARIETY DESCRIPTIONS WILL BE FOUND ON PAGE NUMBERS FOLLOWING NAME OF VARIETY

CASPBERRIES—All States north of Virginia, Tennessee and Missouri. Pages 28 and 29.

BLACKBERRIES
BOYSENBERRIES All States except North Central and Desert States. Page 30.

BLUEBERRIES—All States with 30 days or more of freezing winter temperatures.
Pages 23 to 27.

GRAPES—All States east of Nevada except deep South. Page 31.

See Pages Indicated For Full Descriptive Information

Early

BLAKEMORE

RAYNER'S YELLOW FREE STRAIN

Abundant Growth — Under practically all conditions and soils, BLAKEMORE will make abundant growth free from leaf troubles. Need thinning on very rich soils to produce larger berries.

Uniform Size—Very uniform, medium size berries hold up well all season.

Produces Freely—Free bedding habit makes good fruiting row. Dependable year after year.

Long Distance Shipper — One of the firmest varieties. Good skin with light red color that does not darken when overripe. Their fine arrival condition means customer satisfaction and repeat orders.

● FAVORITE EARLY VARIETY OF GROWERS
FROM GEORGIA TO SOUTHERN PENNSYLVANIA,
AND WEST TO OKLAHOMA AND MISSOURI.

BLAKEMORE continues to be the most widely planted strawberry from Georgia as far North as Southern Pennsylvania. BLAKEMORE has the better qualities of its parents—Premier and Missionary, and is a sturdy, heavy producer of firm, fine shipping berries from an abundant fruiting bed.

**BLAKEMORE
IS EXCELLENT
FOR FREEZING
AND
PRESERVING**

**Blakemore Prices: 100 Plants
\$2.40; 1000 Plants \$11.50. Full
Price List on page 43.**

Freezing Strawberries

It is easy to capture that freshly picked flavor and goodness in frozen strawberries if you use the right varieties and the correct method.

EXCELLENT FREEZING VARIETIES—Blakemore, Sparkle, Midland, Suwanee, Fairfax, Fairpeake, Redstar, Missionary, Klondike.

GOOD FREEZING VARIETIES—Catskill, Premier, Temple, Fairland, Scarlet Beauty.

Slice or crush berries, mix with dry sugar gently until dissolved, 1 cup sugar to 7 cups fruit. With whole berries use 50% syrup. Seal immediately.

MIDLAND MAYTIME

SUPERIOR FREEZING VARIETY

MIDLAND is an early variety productive of very large berries of deep, glossy red color that runs all through the berry. Fruit is of very good to excellent dessert quality and a firm, extra good freezer.

MIDLAND plants have large, healthy leaves resistant to leaf troubles but do not produce many runners and therefore a sparse fruiting bed. Makes a good setting of fruit of such high quality that it brings a premium price in berry markets. Very large berries.

Midland Prices: 100 Plants \$3.00; 1000 Plants \$15.50. Complete Price List on page 43.

EARLIEST FRUITING VARIETY

MAYTIME is VERY EARLY and is ready for picking from four to eight days earlier than Premier, Dorsett and other early varieties. The berries ripen quickly, usually giving two biggest pickings at premium prices before other berries are in market. Free grower, resistant to leaf spot and scorch. Glossy bright red, large to medium berries of fine, juicy dessert quality. Good shipper.

MAYTIME has been successful as far north as Massachusetts, but should be planted with caution in areas where late frosts are a problem.

MAYTIME PRICES: 100 plants \$2.00; 1000 plants \$10.00. Complete price list on page 43.

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PREMIER is the outstanding early berry over a wide area because it has never been known to make a complete crop failure since it was introduced years ago. The vigorous, frostproof PREMIER strain has sired many of the best known commercial varieties including Fairfax, Catskill, Dorsett, Midland and Blakemore.

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ORDER EARLY!

Vigorous Growth—Makes good fruiting bed in all types of soil and no variety has healthier foliage.

Large Berries—Fruit runs large to very large at first pickings. Because PREMIER sets so much fruit, berries will run down in size toward end of season.

Satisfactory Shipper—Berries firm enough for truck shipment but will not stand long refrigeration as will some varieties.

Good Quality—Bright red fruit ripens evenly without green tips and healthy green caps set off natural glossiness to make PREMIER a most attractive market berry. Satisfactory freezer.

Great Producer—Year after year, under all conditions, PREMIER is a leader in production of good marketable berries.

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300 for	6.10
400 for	7.30
500 for	8.45
750 for	11.15
1000 for	13.50
In 5000 lots	12.50

Complete Price List
and Ordering Informa-
tion on pages 41 & 43.

**Rayner Brothers Success Has Been Built Around Our
Famous Premier Strain**

RAYNER BROTHERS ARE RELIABLE

**Tops
in
Flavor**

**Rayner's
Tops
in Quality**

Are you seeking the very best in strawberry flavor? Do you want berries that will give real eating joy and bring those extra-flavor profits from your customers? Then you need go no further than these pages. Listed here are the choice varieties of flavor-conscious growers in New York, Ohio, Penna., New Jersey, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, the New England States and the Middle West.

FAIRFAX

(Early)—The dessert quality of Fairfax has made it the first choice of home and market gardeners. Large, very firm, beautiful bright, deep-red berries are of excellent freezing quality. Vigorous, highly productive. Fairfax is a parent of many other flavor favorites including Temple Sparkle and Fairpeake. Complete description and price list on page 10.

100 Plants \$2.80; 1000 Plants \$14.00.

TEMPLE

(Early to Medium Early) — This variety outsells all early strawberries but Premier. It has quality, beauty and a very good dessert flavor that makes it the Number One strawberry at many large berry auction centers. Temple's vigor and resistance has made it the talk of the strawberry world. It should be tried by all growers in the Northern half of the United States. Complete description and price list on page 11. 100 Plants \$2.60; 1000 Plants \$13.00.

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SPARKLE

(Midseason)

This variety is of the same parentage as Temple and has all of its better characteristics. Berries are a glossy, rich medium red and of good dessert quality. Considered the outstanding freezing berry in the Northeastern States. Sparkle is an excellent seller in the berry market because it looks good and is as good as it looks. Complete description and price list on page 13.

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Flavor Famous

**HOME
GARDEN
FAVORITES**

FIVE

**LEADERS
WHERE
FLAVOR COUNTS**

FAIRPEAKE

(Late)—This variety is considered by many fruit authorities to be the best flavored of all strawberries. Large fruit is a beautiful light red with yellow seeds that give it unusual attractiveness. Has healthy foliage and is a satisfactory plant maker. The ideal berry for continuing a long and profitable fruiting season. Complete description on page 14.

100 Plants \$2.90; 1000 Plants \$14.50.

REDSTAR

(Very Late)

Plant this variety and you have completed the ideal plan for high quality, top flavored strawberries over an entire fruiting season. Redstar is an excellent plant maker with great vigor and resistance. You'll want these berries in your freezer for their delicious flavor will be a welcome treat on winter menus. Complete description on page 14.

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**ENJOY ALL FIVE
ORDER THESE SPECIAL GARDENS**

Flavor Garden No. 4

25 FAIRFAX	125	
25 TEMPLE	Plants	
25 SPARKLE		
25 FAIRPEAKE		
25 REDSTAR		\$ 3.95

Complete Garden

2 Gardens - 250 plants - - \$6.49

4 Gardens - 500 plants - - \$9.95

Market Garden No. 5

200 SPARKLE	1000
200 FAIRFAX	Plants
200 FAIRPEAKE	
200 REDSTAR	
200 TEMPLE	\$16.95

**Build Repeat Business
With These Varieties;
Tops in Flavor!**

FAIRFAX

Flavor Favorite
over
Half the Nation

Early

First Choice With Home and Market Gardeners
Marvelous Flavored, Beautiful Large Fruit

**EXCELLENT
FREEZER**

FAIRFAX is considered the best of all home garden berries because it has all of the qualities you would want for your own table—superb flavor of highest dessert quality—exceptional firmness and a long fruiting season. These same qualities make FAIRFAX a leader with commercial growers, particularly the roadside market and local trade grower who wants a berry with beauty and mouth-watering aroma—a berry that looks good, smells good and tastes GOOD.

FAIRFAX has an unusually wide growing range that makes it most popular with growers throughout the North and a profitable variety as far south as North Carolina. Growers throughout Premier growing areas report excellent results with FAIRFAX and some of the most enthusiastic reports come from the New England States. Grown from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

Flavorful, firm fruit that will bring the customers back for more is the reward of the grower who includes FAIRFAX in his plantings.

Very Large Size—FAIRFAX size holds up well through exceptionally long fruiting season.

Sturdy Growth—Large plants with beautiful dark green foliage free from leaf spot and scorch.

Firm Shippers—Firm, even-textured body gives FAIRFAX excellent shipping qualities.

Very Sweet—A berry that requires little or no sugar. Good eating just as it is. Rich, full-bodied flavor and aroma that holds even when berries are over-ripe. Ideal for freezing.

High Yield—Considered the best early yielder by many growers. Clean fruit is supported well off the ground by strong, upstanding stems.

Rich Color—Medium light red berries tend to darken in advanced ripening stage. However, high gloss and beauty remain to identify this unusually good berry.

Frost Resistant—Popularity of FAIRFAX is growing in New England States because it is proving to be a good cropper under unusual weather conditions.

Fairfax Prices

25 for	1.05
50 for	1.75
100 for	2.80
200 for	4.90
250 for	5.60
300 for	6.30
400 for	7.55
500 for	8.75
750 for	11.55
1000 for	14.00
In 5000 lots	13.00

Complete Price List
and Ordering Information
on Pages 41 & 43.

● Try the Fairfax Flavor Garden on Page 9. Includes Fairfax, Temple, Sparkle and Fair-
peake. All of these are Fairfax crosses and are tops in flavor and vigor. Your opportunity to
enjoy real dessert berries the entire season.

YOU CAN RELY ON RAYNER BROTHERS

Early

TEMPLE

**GROWERS PROCLAIM IT BEST
VARIETY INTRODUCED IN
TWENTY YEARS**

FIRM BEAUTY

● Produce buyers prefer Temple over most varieties as it looks good and is as good as it looks.

GOOD PRODUCER

● Growers from North Carolina to Maine report excellent production.

EXCELLENT FLAVOR

● The best flavor qualities of its flavor-famous parents, Aberdeen and Fairfax.

LONG FRUITING

● As many as 12 pickings over a period of 25 days.

Temple Prices

25 for	\$ 1.00
50 for	1.65
100 for	2.60
200 for	4.55
250 for	5.20
300 for	5.85
400 for	7.00
500 for	8.15
750 for	10.75
1000 for	13.00
In 5000 lots.....	12.00

Complete Price List
and Ordering Information
on Pages 41 & 43.

TEMPLE has become a sales leader in less time than any variety we ever introduced. After observing its unusual vigor and growth we offered TEMPLE in trial lots of 100 plants in 1945 and many growers planted on our recommendations. Since that time demand has continued to increase in record proportions and in 1949 Temple sky-rocketed into the top sales column, a close second to Premier.

TEMPLE was originally introduced as a variety entirely resistant to root diseases, but the vigor that made this resistance possible has also made TEMPLE a winner under most unusual growing conditions.

TEMPLE has what you want in a strawberry—it has a glossy, healthy red beauty—it sizes up well and the fruit is firm and of excellent flavor—it is a good producer over a long fruiting season. Satisfactory for freezing. Enthusiastic reports from growers throughout the northeast show TEMPLE is well adapted in Premier, Catskill growing areas.

Wide Soil Range—Does well in moist, poorly drained soil and is also successful in higher, upland soils. Excellent frost resistance.

Space Wide In Row—Free bedding habit of TEMPLE suggests spacing wide in row, a minimum of 18 inches and up to 30 inches. Planting too close may cause such dense beds that berry size, yield and quality may be affected.

Use Fertilizer Sparingly—The best practice is an early fall fertilizing with little or no fertilizing in the spring. Heavy spring applications may cause too dense foliage growth.

1250 QUARTS FROM 550 TEMPLE PLANTS SET

Havre de Grace, Md., June 21, 1949
"Better Berries" was received here with delight for it answered 4 or 5 questions that were bothering us. Got 1250 quarts from 550 Temple strawberry plants set out last June. Very high grade fruit, too.
J. H. Tullis

RAYNER BROTHERS ARE RELIABLE

Mid-Season

CATSKILL

**For YOU if you want
the largest berries**

CATSKILL is still the most popular midseason, although it has lost a share of its popularity to Sparkle, Fairland, Big Joe and Scarlet Beauty. It has excellent frost resistance and in normal years can be considered one of the more vigorous varieties. However, in unusual years it is not at its best and seems to suffer more from drought than most varieties.

When CATSKILL is good it can't be beat. If you want unbelievably large, and delicious berries be sure to plant some. But to be on the safe side, plant some of the midseasons we have mentioned, too.

Prices: 100 plants \$2.80; 1000 plants \$14.50. Complete Price List on page 43.

Scarlet Beauty (Also called Robinson)

Few varieties have ever received the acclaim that has greeted SCARLET BEAUTY since it originated in Michigan several years ago. Reports indicate that it has outsold all other strawberries in the midseason ripening range in Michigan and it is now being grown throughout the Premier growing states.

SCARLET BEAUTY is truly described by its name. Berries are the most uniformly large of any variety that we offer and the cardinal red color is solid all the way through. Firm skin makes it an excellent shipping berry that will withstand plenty of handling. This firmness means freezing and canning quality, too.

ROBINSON (or SCARLET BEAUTY) is highly productive over a long fruiting season that begins soon after Premier. Large thick fruiting stems with heavy foliage that makes a wide fruiting row. Seems adaptable to a wider range of soils than most varieties and has shown up better in light, sandy dry land soils.

SCARLET BEAUTY is certainly well worth a trial in Premier growing areas. We know you will enjoy its unusual beauty. We believe you will be pleased with the tangy, rich sweet flavor that has made it so popular with northern growers.

Prices: 100 plants \$2.80; 1000 plants \$14.00. Complete Price List on page 43.

**NO STRAWBERRY
EVER MORE
TRULY NAMED**

YOU CAN RELY ON RAYNER BROTHERS

Superior Freezing Variety

SPARKLE

A Brilliant Midseason A Truly Outstanding All Purpose Strawberry

SPARKLE is of the same parentage as Temple, and is showing the same remarkable characteristics as a midseason that Temple offers as an early.

SPARKLE seems to have absorbed much of the better qualities of its Fairfax parent as it resembles Fairfax in appearance and firmness and the color is a solid red so glossy that it has the appearance of being waxed. However, it does not tend to darken on holding and the deep red color runs solidly through the meaty flesh which marks it as one of the very best varieties for quick freezing.

SPARKLE was originally introduced in New Jersey, but its high production, excellent flavor and good freezing qualities were found to be just as good in areas north and south. Today it is widely planted throughout the Middle and North Atlantic States and is particularly favored in New York State.

Sparkle Prices

25 for	\$ 1.05
50 for	1.75
100 for	2.80
200 for	4.90
250 for	5.60
300 for	6.30
400 for	7.55
500 for	8.75
750 for	11.55
1000 for	14.00
In 5000 lots	13.00

**Complete Price List
and Ordering Information
on Pages 41 & 43.**

SPARKLE should not be looked upon as just a good freezing berry. These same qualities make it an excellent all around berry - a good shipper - a good local market berry - a good home garden berry.

UNUSUALLY VIGOROUS—Medium to large plants make an abundance of runners. Sets a great number of flowers per cluster and practically all develop into fruit of marketable size.

EXCELLENT RESISTANCE—Not bothered with leaf spot and scorch and is resistant to root diseases.

PICKED OVER 2 QUARTS FROM EACH PLANT

State College, Pa., October 5, 1949

"You might be interested in knowing that we harvested 438 quarts of berries from the 200 strawberry plants we purchased last year. The varieties were Temple and Sparkle.

"I also want to thank you for the two issues of "Better Berries." They have been very helpful to me."

Mrs. Frank G. Bamer

**BERRIES WORTH 40 TIMES THE COST OF THE PLANTS
PROOF IT PAYS TO BUY THE BEST**

Late

FAIRPEAKE

**You'll Marvel At Its
Unforgettable Flavor**

This cross of Fairfax and Chesapeake offers you a combination of the best qualities of these fine flavored parents. The result is a strawberry considered the best flavored of all varieties, very sweet with a high aroma. If you sell direct to a select list of customers you will find FAIRPEAKE in great demand at premium prices to the very last picking.

Vigorous Plants—Resistant to leaf spot and scorch, plants make a good number of runners comparable with Fairfax. Prefer the same moist soil as other late varieties.

Rich Red Berries—Beautiful, medium to large berries, rich red skin and dark green cap.

Flavor Can't Be Beat—Very sweet with best dessert quality, even better than its Fairfax and Chesapeake parents. High aroma.

Good Cropper—Production compares well with other late varieties. Follows Catskill and Sparkle to provide an unusually long and profitable berry harvest.

Excellent Marketer—Firm-textured berries enable FAIRPEAKE to arrive at market looking its best.

100 plants \$2.90; 1000 plants \$14.50. Complete Price List on page 43.

REDSTAR

**Exceptional Beauty, Dessert Quality
in a Very Late Fruiting Berry**

Plant REDSTAR and you will have strawberries of the finest flavor and quality after other strawberry varieties are gone. Ripens latest of all regular varieties to give the berry grower a continuing supply of superb fruit that will bring premium prices. Beauty, flavor and firmness make REDSTAR the choice of berry growers from Maryland to Maine and west to Missouri.

Vigorous Grower—Healthy plants, spot and scorch resistant, always develop a good fruiting row. When planted in moist soils (as all late varieties should be) REDSTAR is a heavy producer.

Very Large, Glossy Red Berries—Light, bright red berries hold size well to end of season. When fully ripe dessert quality compares with the best. Firm, excellent shipper and a good canner and freezer. Retains shape perfectly for preserving.

100 plants \$2.90; 1000 plants \$14.50. Complete Price List on page 43.

RAYNER BROTHERS ARE RELIABLE

NEW FAIRLAND

Early Midseason
U. S. D. A. 3205

HEAVY PRODUCER
HARDY, RED
STELE RESISTANT

FAIRLAND received its first real field test during the past year as hundreds of growers fruited this variety for the first time. It has fully lived up to expectations as a hardy grower with a vigor comparable to Temple and Sparkle. All indications are that we have another great midseason in FAIRLAND.

This variety is now being planted throughout the Premier, Catskill growing area and in many instances it has been reported to outproduce these varieties. FAIRLAND has excellent resistance to root diseases and frost. Light, red berries size up well and dessert quality and aroma make it a highly desirable market berry. Good for preserving and freezing.

FAIRLAND PRICES: 100 Plants \$2.70; 1000 Plants \$13.50. Price List on page 43.

WHEN TO PLANT

All fruit plants listed in this catalog should be planted in early Spring as soon as ground can be worked (see "Time to Plant" on page 37). Our Spring shipping schedule is from January 10 to June 1.

All items except Boysenberries, Black Raspberries and Asparagus may also be planted in Fall around Nov. 1.

DORSETT

Popular With Premier Growers

This variety has been planted for 25 years by growers in Premier growing sections. Foliage is quite similar to Premier and fruit is more attractive, of better flavor and usually a bit firmer than Premier. However, it is not as productive as Premier for many growers due to the fact that it will often bed up too much. It is most productive when the runners formed late in the season are picked off.

DORSETT'S beauty, flavor and high production for many growers is well worth the additional care it may require.

Price List on page 43.

No. 1---Northern Garden

Widely planted varieties throughout the northern half of this country.

25 FAIRFAX	Will Plant Six 25 ft. rows
25 PREMIER	
25 FAIRLAND	
25 REDSTAR	
100 plants (Worth \$4.30)	\$2.95
2 GARDENS 200 plants	\$4.95
4 GARDENS 400 plants	\$8.49

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BIG JOE

**A TWENTY YEAR FAVORITE MIDSEASON
FROM VIRGINIA NORTHWARD**

Until the introduction of Catskill, BIG JOE was the best and most popular midseason variety. And it is still the first choice of many growers because of good success they have enjoyed year after year. BIG JOE ripens just as earlier varieties have finished fruiting and ripens a major portion of crop in three big pickings, usually when large, attractive berries are at a premium. Try Rayner's BIG JOE and you will have BIG JOE at its best.

Abundant Growth—Strong, vigorous plants with unusually healthy foliage in abundance. Fruit stalks strong and upstanding.

Large, Light Red Berries—Fine, full-bodied, tangy flavored berries run large to very large and with sufficient moisture berries size up well to last of crop.

Good Shipper—Berries hold up well and are firm enough for long distance shipping.
Heavy Producer—Under normal conditions, production is very heavy.

BIG JOE Prices: 100 plants, \$2.60; 1000 plants, \$13.00. Complete Price List on page 43.

CHESAPEAKE

EXCELLENT FOR IRRIGATION

CHESAPEAKE is an old favorite late strawberry fancied by many growers. It is now enjoying new popularity with users of irrigation. Very large berries of fine delicious flavor and good shipping quality. Blooms late to escape frost damage. Complete Price List on Page 43.

AMBROSIA

VERY LATE STRAWBERRY

AMBROSIA'S firm, large berries are proving increasingly popular with growers seeking a good late berry. Fruit of good flavor in north but slightly tart in Maryland and New Jersey. As with all late varieties should be set in soil that does not dry out too much. Good frost resistance. Complete Price List on Page 43.

ENJOY

STRAWBERRIES

FOUR MONTHS

OF THE YEAR

All Season Garden

June bearing varieties and Everbearing for Strawberries throughout the growing season.

Garden No. 3

25 TEMPLE, 25 BIG JOE, 25 REDSTAR
75 MASTODON EVERBEARING

150 Plants - \$6.90 Value

\$5.49

**ORDER
NOW!**

While this Catalog is to your attention, send us your order. We will reserve plants for shipment when you want them. You may send one-fourth payment with order and balance before shipment. If you are not sure of planting time send order and we will ship at proper time.

RAYNER BROTHERS ARE RELIABLE

Top Money-Makers of the South

Rayner's Klondike, Klonmore Are Proving Their Superior Fruiting Strain in the Carolinas, Louisiana, Texas, California and other Southern States.

KLONDIKE

**Rayner's Improved Strain
An Excellent Freezer**

Rayner's KLONDIKE offers planters of this variety a new opportunity to really renew their plantings with KLONDIKE of disease free origin, unusually clean and healthy foliage and smooth uniform, bright red berries. It is the KLONDIKE strain that will make you money and you'll agree that a planting of Rayner's KLONDIKE was the best investment you ever made.

KLONDIKE is an unusually good variety for freezing because of its deep red color and firm flesh. Order early! There's a constantly increasing demand for Rayner's Improved Strain.

MISSIONARY

FIRST IN FLORIDA

An old dependable shipping variety that is grown almost exclusively in Florida because it requires a very minimum dormant season and is so firm that it carries in excellent condition to distant markets. Does well in all types of soil, especially lighter types. Medium size fruit is rather tart, dark red and very attractive. A heavy producer. We are privileged to supply many of Florida's largest growers with our superior strain MISSIONARY plants.

QUANTITY PRICES

If you are interested in buying large quantities write us for prompt quotations.

YOU CAN RELY ON RAYNER BROTHERS

KLONMORE

**A Leaf Spot Resistant Variety
for the Deep South**

KLONMORE is a Klondike-Blakemore cross of exceptional vigor and high resistance where leaf spot has been a problem. Medium size berries are light, bright red with yellow seeds and real beauty. Good dessert quality and firm enough for shipment.

KLONMORE is preferred in Louisiana and southward because of leaf spot resistance. Rayner's KLONMORE has what it takes to really put you in the berry business.

MASSEY

Outstanding Midseason

Berry growers in the Carolinas, Virginia and Maryland are particularly enthusiastic over MASSEY because it fills the need for a variety to extend the fruiting season as Blakemore begins to taper off. It has all the qualities a berry needs; large size, mouth-watering beauty and a flavor that never disappoints. Thrifty plants resistant to leaf spot and scorch. Large to very large berries are glossy bright red, firm and excellent shippers. Good production makes it a real profit maker.

PRICES

Massey - \$12.00 per 1000

All other varieties on this Page - \$10.00 per 1000. Complete price list on page 43.

Favorites of Many Growers

ABERDEEN

Red-stem immune variety productive of large light red fruit of good quality and flavor. Highly productive and very profitable for berry growers serving nearby markets. Recommended from New Jersey northward.

100 plants \$2.40; 1000 plants \$12.00.

PATHFINDER

Very similar to Aberdeen, but a more consistent heavy producer, particularly under drought conditions. Immune to root diseases, leaf spot and scorch. Good appearance, quality and flavor. Ideal for market gardening in Aberdeen sections.

100 plants \$2.40; 1000 plants \$12.00.

AROMA

Popular late shipping berry for South and South Central States. Fairly vigorous plants with large berries, bright, attractive and very firm. Entire crop sizes up well for profitable long distance shipping. A real money maker for many growers.

100 plants \$2.00; 1000 plants \$10.00.

DUNLAP

An old favorite home garden and canning variety in many sections of Northern and Central States. DUNLAP'S greatest advantage is good growth and production under almost any condition. Very free bedding and productive of medium, dark red fruit for table purposes.

100 plants \$2.40; 1000 plants \$12.50.

WAYZATA

Best Flavored Everbearing

WAYZATA is the luxury everbearer grown by gardeners seeking the best in flavor. Requires little space because plants grow from crowns and set very few runners. Delightful red, large berries are truly something delicious. WAYZATA, also called Rockhill, is best from Pennsylvania, northward.

WAYZATA Prices: 100 \$7.00; 1000 \$35.00.

SUWANEE

The South's Newest Table Treat

This variety is rapidly gaining favor in Southern gardens because of the exceptionally delicious flavored berries produced on healthy, vigorous free-growing plants. SUWANEE fills a real need from Maryland southward. Supply is still a bit limited on this new variety, so we suggest you place your order early so plants may be reserved until you are ready to set them.

100 plants \$2.40; 1000 plants \$12.00.

RAYNER'S

Great Strawberry Selections

Meet Every Need.

32 Varieties to Select From.

LUPTON

Excellent late shipping variety in areas where Chesapeake is grown. Preferred by many who have had trouble getting a good bed of Chesapeake. Firm berries ship well, and are very similar in appearance to Chesapeake.

100 plants \$2.40; 1000 plants \$12.00.

BRUNE'S MARVEL

Non-Acid Everbearing

An unusually sweet, non-acid berry with flavor as near the wild strawberry as any we have ever tasted. Plants make a stand under most adverse weather conditions. Free bedding habit necessitates thinning for best fruit production. Fruit small to medium, requires practically no sugar.

Prices: 100 plants, \$3.30; 1000 plants, \$16.50

**SELECT
YOUR OWN
GARDEN**

(Number 8 Offer)

200 Plants for \$3.69

PICK ANY 4 VARIETIES FROM THIS LIST

Aberdeen, Ambrosia, Aroma, Blakemore, Dorsett, Maytime, Chesapeake, Pathfinder, Big Joe, Lupton, Suwanee, Sen. Dunlap, Klondike, Klommore, Missionary, Massey.

The Top Buys of 1950

- No. 19. 200 Strawberry Plants - 25 Gladiolus Bulbs
50 Fairfax - 50 Big Joe - 50 Redstar - 50 Temple
Plus \$2.00 value choice Gladiolus Bulbs **\$4.95**
(A \$8.95 value)
- No. 20. 1000 Strawberry Plants - 12 Blueberry Plants
250 Temple - 250 Big Joe - 250 Fairland - 250 Chesapeake
Our selection 3 Blueberry varieties - 4 plants of each - 2 yr. 6-9" **\$17.95**
(A \$27.80 value)
- No. 21. 12 Red Raspberries - 25 Gladiolus Bulbs
6 Latham - 6 Newburgh — Rainbow mixture Gladiolus **\$3.49**
(A \$5.30 value)
- No. 22. 100 Strawberry Plants - 25 Gladiolus Bulbs
25 Fairfax - 25 Temple - 25 Fairland - 25 Redstar **\$3.95**
(A \$6.20 value)
- No. 23. 100 Everbearing Strawberry Plants - 25 Gladiolus
50 Gem - 50 Mastodon - 25 Giant Gladiolus mixed colors **\$5.79**
(A \$8.30 value)
- No. 24. 150 Strawberry Plants - 25 Gladiolus Bulbs
Our selection of 50 each early, midseason, late
Strawberry plants guaranteed to suit your area. **\$3.69**
(A \$6.95 value)
- No. 25. 12 Blueberry Plants - 25 Gladiolus Bulbs
We select 3 varieties of 2 year Blueberry plants guaranteed to
suit your area. **\$5.49**
(A \$7.40 value)

GLADIOLUS—The bulbs offered on this page are supplied by an outstanding grower of select quality bulbs guaranteed to bloom in a variety of marvelous colors. If you would like to order the bulbs separately we will ship 25 of these choice bulbs

\$2.00
postpaid.

\$450.00 NET FROM \$15 PLANT INVESTMENT

Mr. E. J. Urias, of Elyria, Ohio, offers his Rayner's Fairpeake strawberries from a roadside bench in front of his home. Mr. Urias writes:

"We had people come back 20 miles five different times for berries. They said they never had tasted such good berries. We picked 1277 quarts (from 1000 plants set) and got 50c per quart for first three pickings. As near as we can figure we took in about \$450.00 after picking was paid for. We are holding the patch over again."

Plants of Poor Quality Would
Be No Bargain As A Gift—
Plants of Good Quality Are A
Bargain At Any Price—

Rayner Plants Are Right
Rayner Prices Are Right

Mr. Urias' grand-nieces ate
berries "until they stuck out
their ears."

EVERBEARING

Strawberries Six Months of the Year

A tempting treat most anytime, strawberries have an extra special appeal when picked from your own garden out of season. We have enjoyed strawberries until Thanksgiving Day year after year, as everbearing varieties fruit until hard freezing weather. For the truck gardener, fresh, local strawberries—out of season—always demand high prices, and food stores are glad to get them. Commercial growers in Northern sections report handsome profits from Everbearing Strawberry fields.

MASTODON

**Grown Over Wider Area
Than Any Other Variety**

MASTODON is grown successfully as far South as the high elevations of North Carolina and throughout the North. Produces a good crop during summer and fall of first year and a yield equal to many regular varieties the following spring which alone justifies growing it. Fall bearing qualities of this double-duty strawberry have made many friends and provided large profits to berry growers.

GEM

GEM shares the popularity spotlight with Mastodon in many areas because it sets a really worthwhile fall crop if not allowed to bed too thick. It is adapted to a wider range of soils than most everbearers and is often successful where others fail. Fruit sizes up well, although not as large as Mastodon, but flavor is superior under adverse weather conditions.

GEM is an amazing plant maker and can be depended upon to set runner plants that become hardy, vigorous specimens and producers of fruit in an unusually short time. Thinning of abundant runner plants will enable setting a tremendous crop.

MASTODON and GEM PRICES: 100 Plants \$5.00; 1000 Plants \$25.00. Complete Price List on Page 43.

STRAWBERRIES

60 to 90 Days After Planting

Superfection

Acclaimed a Great Producer

SUPERFECTION is a recent introduction by the originator of Gem, one of the most popular everbearers ever offered.

It seems to have all of the better qualities of Gem and produces plants just as freely and with all of Gem's hardiness. The biggest advantage it offers over other everbearing varieties is a more continuous production of well-formed, firm fruit of even color and texture. SUPERFECTION has much the same flavor as Gem and berries are similar except that they are larger and more uniform.

We feel that this is an unusually good strawberry and we believe you will agree if you give it a trial. Favorable comments from so many different sections of the Country are proof that SUPERFECTION is rapidly assuming the role of a champion.

100 Plants \$7.00; 500 Plants \$21.90. Complete Price List on page 43.

STREAMLINER

Sensational New Everbearer

STREAMLINER has received more publicity than any everbearing strawberry introduced in recent years. We have observed its performance the past several years under varied weather conditions over a wide area.

STREAMLINER has been called "THE BEST", "PERFECT", and many other high compliments. In our opinion it is giving excellent results in everbearing areas. Fruit is large, bright red. Flavor is very good and berries quite firm in the spring and fall. Production is good, with excellent spring crop.

STREAMLINER does not seem to bed as well as Mastodon and Gem, but sets more fruit per plant.

Streamliner: 100 plants \$6.00; 1000 plants \$30.00.

Complete Price List on page 43

WAYZATA described on page 18.

RAYNER BROTHERS ARE RELIABLE

Streamliner
Photographed
Nov. 3.

Note the blossoms and green fruit which continued to mature until around Thanksgiving.

Picture shows Streamliner slightly less than two-thirds actual size. Ripe fruit measured up to $1\frac{1}{2}$ in diameter.

What Everyone Should Know About *Everbearing Strawberries*

We are anxious that our customers understand several important characteristics of Everbearing Strawberry varieties:

1. While the Spring fruiting of Everbearing varieties compares favorably in volume with regular Strawberry varieties, the Fall fruiting does not usually produce a considerable volume of fruit at one time. The fruiting is often spread over a period of as much as 90 days. For this reason we sincerely recommend that at least 100 Everbearing plants be set for average family use. (This is not an attempt to sell you more Everbearing plants than you need, but we know from experience it is folly to suggest planting Everbearers in dozen lots or minor quantities because there would not be enough fruit at one time for table use. We offer Everbearing in quantities as small as 25 plants to enable you to plant a variety selection.)
2. Everbearers are best adapted to States north of Virginia or in altitudes and areas where summer nights are generally cool.
3. Everbearing Strawberry plants should be set in soil with plenty of humus (soil that holds moisture) so that the drain of blossoming and fruiting in early Fall, when dry weather is often prevalent, will not prove too severe on the plants.
4. Everbearing Strawberry plants should not be allowed to fruit until well established. The usual practice is to keep all blossoms picked off until around July 1, or until growth is well advanced.

MECHANICSBURG PA., GROWER FINDS EVERBEARERS HIGHLY PROFITABLE

We are pleased to present this photograph of Mr. William Laudenslager's Mastodon everbearing patch as an outstanding example of a very productive and profitable garden operation. The plot is about $\frac{1}{4}$ acre (requiring about 1500 plants).

Says Mr. Laudenslager, "We picked 6 crates a day for two weeks at 50c per quart; thereafter about 3 crates per day until slack season. In the fall we raised the price to 60c per quart with fewer pickings. We always found your plants to be healthy and long rooted and productive".

Note the straw mulch for conserving moisture and keeping fruit clean. Also note wide spacing and control of runners for best results. A small investment in good plants has made real dollar return from Mr. Laudenslager's spare-time hobby.

Special **EVERBEARING** Gardens

No. 6 - Everbearing Garden

25 GEM	\$3.95
25 MASTODON	
25 SUPERFECTION	
	75 Plants
150 PLANT GARDEN	\$6.49
300 PLANT GARDEN	\$9.98

Please Order Gardens by Number.

No. 7 - All Varieties Offer

25 BRUNES MARVEL	
25 GEM	
25 MASTODON	150 Plants
25 STREAMLINER	\$7.95
25 SUPERFECTION	
25 WAYZATA	
2 GARDENS - 300 Plants	\$11.25
4 GARDENS - 600 Plants	\$15.95

Rayner's FAMOUS BLUEBERRIES

At New Low Prices

..... A Crop of Proven Value on Acid Soils, Cutover Woods Lots, Swamp Lands and Similar Moisture Retaining Soils Where Little Success Has Been Obtained from other Crops.

We Operate the Largest Blueberry Nursery in Maryland

- Expanded production to meet a constantly increasing demand has made possible drastic price reductions on America's Wonder Fruit!
- This is your opportunity to plant that Garden Spot or expand your present plantings at prices that make Blueberries **THE BUY OF THE YEAR!**

YOU CAN RELY ON RAYNER BROTHERS

Lovely to

look at...

Seldom has the gardener had such rare privilege to add to his plantings a bush of compelling beauty that is also productive of one of America's most unusual, most enjoyable fruits.

In winter the brightly hued wood gives the blueberry bush a stately beauty that is augmented in spring by new leaves and lovely blossoms that will make the blueberry one of your choice ornamentals.

From the moment the pink buds begin to flower you will be entranced with the gradual formation of myriads of pinkish white flower bells that will be the talk of your neighborhood.

... and just as Good to Eat !

As the blossoms are replaced by the newly forming fruit the leaves continue their growth into shimmering waxy-green beauty that will provide fitting background for the bounteous bunches of berries as they develop from light green to pink to powdery blue. Here's beauty you can enjoy and eat, too! Blueberries are a permanent part of your plantings. One setting will last a lifetime.

Blueberries have an unusual taste appeal that never fails to awaken the appetite and the distinctive flavor welcomes frequent appearance on any menu. Big, plump fruit often as big as grapes with a delicate blue beauty to add to their appeal.

PLANT BLUEBERRIES IN SPRING — JANUARY 15 TO MAY 15.

PLANT IN FALL DURING MONTH OF NOVEMBER

RAYNER BROTHERS ARE RELIABLE

Rayner's Leading Giant **BLUEBERRIES**

A Full Selection of Superior Hybrids. Your Choice of All The Best Known Varieties

(Order at least two varieties to insure proper pollination)

CABOT (Early, Low Bush). Lowest of all cultivated varieties, bush seldom exceeds four feet in height. An early variety with a long fruiting season. Best in Northern States.

JUNE (Early, Fast Ripening). Liked because it fruits early and ripens entire crop quickly. Medium high bush with medium size fruit. Popular from North Carolina to Maine.

CONCORD (Early Midseason.) Medium berries ripens about 2 weeks after Cabot. Tall, vigorous, attractive bush. Sets a tremendous crop of firm fruit with good flavor.

STANLEY (Early Midseason). Tall, vigorous bush with large, thick shiny leaves. Good producer of large berries, considered best flavored of all varieties.

RANCOCAS (Midseason Beauty). Upright bush often exceeds six feet at maturity. A favorite for lawn and garden plantings because of unusual beauty. Good producer of fine flavored fruit.

PIONEER (Midseason). A popular, high producer in States north of New Jersey. Fruit is of medium size, dark blue and of excellent dessert quality.

JERSEY (Ideal Late Variety). Large, light-blue berries of best shipping quality. Vigorous, fine bush with excellent growth characteristics. Erect, productive, beautiful foliage.

SCAMMELL (Late Variety). A specialty with us, bush is most productive of medium, firm fruit of good flavor. Ships well and is popular for its hardiness from North Carolina northward.

RUBEL (Widely Planted Late). Bush is upright, right, very vigorous, hardy and productive. Medium fruit, light blue, very firm. Well liked because of its productiveness, firmness and desirable growth characteristics.

BURLINGTON (Latest Of All). Medium size berries on vigorous, upright bush. Good blue color, firm, aromatic, good dessert quality. Promising for its lateness, color and excellent shipping quality.

NEW LOW PRICES

F.O.B. Salisbury, Maryland

Varieties may be combined to take advantage of quantity prices.

	Single Each	3 to 9 Each	10 to 29 Each	30 to 99 Each	100 or more Each
1 yr., 3"-6", rooted cuttings....	\$.40	\$.30	\$.25	\$.20	\$.15
2 yr., 6"-9" liner grade.....	.60	.55	.45	.40	.35
2 yr., 9"-12", 2 branches.....	.90	.80	.70	.60	.50
3 yr., 12"-18", 2 branches....	1.25	1.00	.90	.80	.70
3 yr. and 4 yr., 18"-24" 3 branches	1.85	1.60	1.35	1.20	1.10
3 ft. Jumbo size.....	2.50	2.10	1.80	1.50	

Write us for prompt quotations on large quantities.

WE ARE MARYLAND'S LARGEST GROWERS OF BLUEBERRY NURSERY PLANTS.

Prices and Descriptions of some recently introduced varieties will be found on the following page. Parcel Post rates on page 41.

Complete Planting and Growing Directions, Including Soil Preparation on Page 39

RAYNER BROTHERS ARE RELIABLE

Latest Introductions

AT NEW LOW PRICES

DIXI Largest Fruit

Produces largest fruit of all varieties on a vigorous bush. Promising for large size, firmness and productiveness. Fine blue color and high aroma add to attractiveness. Late season, slightly before Jersey.

WEYMOUTH Earliest of All

Dark blue, medium berries lack dessert quality, but should prove very popular commercially because of earliness and quick ripening of entire crop for early market prices.

ATLANTIC Next to Dixi in Size

Very vigorous bush, very productive. Large berries of good color, firm, with slight aroma, good dessert quality. A late variety promising for large size, fine color, and for productiveness.

PEMBERTON Most Vigorous

Bush considered most vigorous of all varieties. Very productive of large berries, firm with slight aroma and good dessert quality. Liked because of its vigorous bush and large size of berry. Midseason.

PRICES OF VARIETIES ON THIS PAGE

	Each	Lots of 3-9 Each	Lots of 10-30 Each	Lots of 30-99 Each	Lots of 100
1 yr., 3-6".....	\$.50	\$.40	\$.35	\$.30	\$.22
2 yr., 6-9" liner.....	.75	.70	.60	.50	.45
2 yr., 9-12".....	1.10	1.00	.90	.75	.65
3 yr., 12-18", 2 or more branches.....	1.55	1.25	1.15	1.00	.90
4 yr., 18-24", 3 or more branches.....	2.35	2.00	1.70	1.50	1.35

USE THIS GUIDE IN MAKING SELECTIONS

FOR SIZE OF FRUIT—DIXI, ATLANTIC, PEMBERTON, SCAMMELL, JERSEY WEYMOUTH, CONCORD, STANLEY.

FOR DESSERT QUALITY—STANLEY, PIONEER, ATLANTIC, CONCORD, BURLINGTON, RANCOCAS, RUBEL, JERSEY.

FOR FREEZING QUALITY—JERSEY, BURLINGTON, RANCOCAS, ATLANTIC, RUBEL, SCAMMELL. (All varieties are excellent frozen in 45% simple syrup*)

* Simple syrup is made by combining 2 cups sugar and 2 cups boiling water.

YIELDS—Blossoms should be pinched from blueberry plants that have been newly planted to prevent fruiting in order to conserve strength. Plants will begin fruiting the following year and production will increase as the plants mature.

No. 5 - New Variety Garden

- 2 Weymouth—3 yr.—12-18"—Early
- 2 Dixi—3 yr.—12-18"—Midseason
- 2 Atlantic—3 yr.—12-18"—Midseason
- 2 Pemberton—3 yr.—12-18"—Late

8 Bearing Age Plants 12-18" **\$8.98**

16 PLANTS - - - - - **\$14.98**

Wild Blueberries and Cultivated Blueberries are compared in size in this actual unretouched photograph.

PLANT BLUEBERRIES IN SPRING OR LATE FALL

The Year's Best Blueberry Buys

No. 9 - Bearing Age Garden

- 2 Cabot—3 yr.—Midseason 18-24"
- 2 Rancocas—3 yr.—Early 18-24"
- 2 Rubel—3 yr.—Late 18-24"

7 Bearing Age Plants 18-24"
(Catalog Price \$11.20)

SPECIAL

\$8.79

No. 10 - Flavor Garden

- 2 Rancocas—2 yr.—9-12"
- 2 Rubel—2 yr.—9-12"
- 2 Jersey—2 yr.—9-12"
- 2 Concord—2 yr.—9-12"

8 Plants
(Catalog Price \$6.40)

\$4.98

16 Plants (4 of each variety) **\$8.98**

No. 11 - Gardeners' Special

- 6 Rancocas—6-9" Plants
- 6 Cabot—6-9" Plants
- 6 Jersey—6-9" Plants

18 Plants
(Catalog Price \$8.10)

SPECIAL

\$6.39

No. 12 - Bargain Garden

- 5 Rancocas—3 yr.—12-18"
- 5 Rubel—3 yr.—12-18"
- 5 Concord—3 yr.—12-18"

15 Bearing Age Plants
(Catalog Price \$13.50)

SPECIAL

\$9.98

**LOOK
WHAT
\$19.50
BUYS**

50 2-yr. 9-12" Blueberry Plants \$19.50
30 3-yr. 12-18" Blueberry Plants \$19.50
20 3-yr. 18-24" Blueberry Plants \$19.50

We select varieties guaranteed suitable for your area and climate. No culls. All top-grade stock labeled with name.

You will never believe just how incredibly wonderful it is to behold a blueberry bush in fruit, to pick and eat these marvelous berries until you experience it yourself.

And this rich experience can be enjoyed from your own lawn or garden.

Blueberry bushes can be pruned and adapted to any landscaping plan.

Full instructions with every order. Add beauty to your home and grow fruit that will be the sensation of your neighborhood!

ONE BLUEBERRY PLANTING LASTS A LIFETIME

RASPBERRIES

FOR BIGGER CROPS

Best Known Varieties
Hardy and Productive

Rayner's
DEPENDABLE

LATHAM Most Popular and Widely Planted Red Raspberry

LATHAM is the most widely grown of the red varieties because of its vigor, productivity and ability to thrive over a wide range of conditions and its resistance to diseases. Particularly popular in colder sections because of extreme hardiness and ability to withstand very low temperatures. LATHAM produces a good crop of large, firm, beautiful rich red berries. Often produces more than 5,000 quarts per acre.

NEWBURGH Best Red Variety for Planting Near Black Varieties

NEWBURGH is very popular in New York, Pennsylvania and New England because of large size and unusual firmness of berries. Its freedom from mosaic makes NEWBURGH unusually good for growing with black raspberries. Very hardy in cold States and highly productive of large, very firm, mild flavored fruit. Grows low with long laterals and does best on trellis. Shorter canes than most varieties, but should be cut back in spring to prevent setting too much fruit.

INDIAN SUMMER Acknowledged the Best Red Everbearer

Not just our opinion but it is generally agreed that INDIAN SUMMER is the really outstanding Everbearing Red Raspberry. Fruit is of high quality, large and of medium red color with a good flavor. Season is long, starting a day or two later than regular varieties. The fall crop commences early and continues until hard frost with heaviest production about twenty days after first fall fruiting. Tremendous June crop. Vigorous, upright, hardy, healthy and productive.

PURPLE and BLACK RASPBERRIES

S O D U S

THE BEST PURPLE RASPBERRY
UNUSUALLY LARGE FRUIT

Tall, vigorous plants of excellent hardiness and drought resistance with best production record of the purple raspberries entitles SODUS to recognition as the best. Fruit is unusually large, purple, firm and a bit tart. An excellent variety for canning and preserves. Growth habit like black raspberries. Considered hardiest, most drought resistant of the purple varieties.

Cumberland Favorite Black

No other Black Raspberry has been as widely planted as CUMBERLAND and it is still the choice of many home and commercial growers because it has stood the test of time. No other Black Raspberry has been grown as extensively as CUMBERLAND. A very dependable heavy cropper of large fruit, firm, sweet, fine quality and attractive jet-black color. This highly productive midseason ripens most of crop in about two weeks.

Morrison Best New Black

This new black variety originated in northern Ohio and is proving popular throughout raspberry growing areas. Very large, jet-black fruit is of fine flavor and considered less seedy than other sorts. Plants are strong, highly productive and have excellent disease resistance. MORRISON is quickly gaining the reputation of being the best Black Raspberry of the late fruiting varieties, and is being widely planted in the northern half of the Country.

Price List *Rayner's Certified Raspberry Plants*

	6	12	25	50	100	250	500	1,000
Latham, 1 Yr., No. 1.....	\$1.80	\$2.60	\$4.10	\$7.10	\$12.35	\$26.80	\$43.10	\$75.00
Newburgh, 1 Yr., No. 1.....	1.80	2.60	4.10	7.10	12.35	26.80	43.10	75.00
Indian Summer, 1 Yr., No. 1.....	1.80	2.60	4.10	7.10	12.35	26.80	43.10	75.00
Cumberland, 1 Yr., No. 1.....	1.45	2.10	3.30	5.70	9.90	21.40	34.50	60.00
Morrison, 1 Yr., No. 1.....	1.45	2.10	3.30	5.70	9.90	21.40	34.50	60.00
Sodus, 1 Yr., No. 1.....	1.60	2.35	3.70	6.40	11.25	24.10	38.80	67.50

Success With Raspberries

A good crop of berries may be expected from plants the year after they are set and a full crop the second year after planting. It is highly important that only the best grade of nursery stock be used and Rayner Brothers have exercised extreme care in selecting plants of the very highest quality propagated in one of the best Raspberry growing sections in the Country.

PLANTING—Plants should be set in the early spring in the eastern part of the United States, due to usually higher prevalence of natural moisture in the soil. **FULL CULTURE DIRECTIONS** will be sent with your order.

YOU CAN DEPEND ON RAYNERS FOR DEPENDABLE PLANTS

Blackberries

**Plant Them Along the Fence Line
or in That Extra Corner**

Blackberries ripen in July to fill an important part in keeping a continuous supply of garden fresh fruit on the table. Eaten just as they are with cream, the rich juicy flavor of the cultivated blackberry is a delectable dish, and in a pie or as blackberry dumplings they are superb.

Blackberries can have a part in your plantings — along drain trenches or along the back of the lot. And blackberries can be an important fruit crop, too, if you are a market gardener or operate a roadside stand. Get ready for a bumper crop from your own plantings. Set RAYNER'S hardy plants. FULL GROWING DIRECTIONS INCLUDED WITH YOUR ORDER.

BLACKBERRY PRICES NO. 1 PLANTS

6 Plants—\$1.45	12 Plants—\$2.10
25 Plants—\$3.30	100 Plants—\$9.90

Boysenberries

Highest Quality Thornless

The boysenberry is a hybrid fruit produced by crossing the blackberry, loganberry and raspberry. The result has brought a berry of tremendous size — often more than two inches long — and of such unusually delicious flavor that description is indeed difficult. If you like blackberries you will just love these giant, wine-colored beauties.

An unusually larger yielder, berries hold up well for local market. Practically seedless, juicy, delicious — be sure to include some Boysenberries in your fruit garden.

Bearing Age Plant Prices

6 Plants—\$2.95	12 Plants—\$ 4.75
25 Plants—\$8.00	100 Plants—\$25.00

1 Yr. No. 1 Boysenberry Plant Prices

6 Plants—\$2.05	12 Plants—\$ 2.95
25 Plants—\$1.65	100 Plants—\$14.05

RAYNER'S RELIABILITY IS RECOGNIZED THROUGHOUT THE NATION

GRAPE VINES

Delicious! Productive! Dependable!

Grapes have been one of the most important fruit crops since Biblical times because they are high in food value and essential minerals as well as outstanding in taste appeal. A few vines will produce a great deal of fresh fruit that is ideal as a fresh dessert and for jam, jellies and juice. A vineyard is an investment in a permanent fruit crop that will bear fruit for your table and as a source of income for a lifetime. Grapes are easy to grow and do not take a lot of space. RAYNER'S grapevines are from fine, sturdy selections.

CONCORD—The Best Blue

CONCORD originated in Massachusetts more than 100 years ago and is still today the most widely grown of American varieties because it is hardy in many varying climatic conditions. The berries are very dark with an abundant blue bloom. CONCORD is of good dessert quality with a high aroma and firm juiciness that makes it a favorite for the table and juice, jam and jelly. These qualities also make it one of the outstanding commercial varieties.

CACO—The Best Red

CACO is recognized as the best red grape variety because of its extreme vigor and general hardiness. The berries are a light red with thin skin and tender juiciness. The dessert quality is as good as the high aroma suggests. CACO is an excellent home and market grape that does well in the same area as Concord, from the middle South to the Northern boundaries of this Country.

NIAGARA—The Best White

We consider NIAGARA the best of the white grapes because it has the vigor and hardiness that makes it a popular producer throughout the Concord, Caco area and it meets the demand for a good white dessert grape. The skin is thin and tender and the flesh has a juicy sweetness and a strong winey flavor. The berries are of an amber color with a light dusty gray bloom. Grapes hold up well when fully ripe and are therefore popular commercially as well as in the home.

PRICES—2 Yr. No. 1 Vines

Each 55c; 3 vines \$1.50; 10 vines \$4.05;
25 vines \$8.45; 50 vines \$14.05; 100 vines \$22.50

GRAPES are adapted to all types of soils that are well drained and of average fertility. They do well in practically all climates and thrive in sunny locations or a reasonable amount of shade. Full planting, pruning and culture directions are included with your order. Grapes should be planted as early as other fruits: Order now!

FOR REAL ENJOYMENT—PLANT ALL THREE

This illustration is considerably smaller than the actual size of the grapes. Photograph was reduced about one-third.

Tender, Fresh ASPARAGUS

from Your Own Plantings
Year After Year

MARY WASHINGTON Most Popular of All. This heavy yielding strain, developed by the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture, is the favorite of commercial growers because it has met the need for a highly productive, rust-resistant variety. **MARY WASHINGTON** is very early, a strong grower, and produces shoots of the finest quality that run more uniform in size, shape and color than any of the older selections. Asparagus has healthy green color, rich flavor and juicy tenderness.

NEW PARADISE Preferred for Early Production. A new variety that has created sensational reports from asparagus growers because in many instances it produces a normal crop one year earlier than other varieties. **NEW PARADISE** is a sport discovered in a Mary Washington field. Seems to have all of the qualities of Mary Washington including vigorous growth, large stalks and exceptional rust resistance. Present records indicate it will begin volume production sooner and is therefore favored by most home gardeners.

Asparagus is one of the first vegetables to make appearance in the Spring and its succulent, green stalks are a welcome change to the table. Because of its earliness, asparagus can be depended upon to realize a profit and there is an ever increasing demand for canning and freezing. Asparagus is easy to grow and a bed once established will continue to produce heavy crops for 10 to 15 years. 50 to 150 plants are adequate for the family garden. The most important step is to get plants of good quality. Our soil is ideal for developing asparagus roots and you may be assured of extra heavy crowns and strong roots when you buy from Rayner Brothers.

ASPARAGUS PRICES

Big two year roots will produce stalks large enough for cutting the second year and a big crop each year thereafter.

	25	50	100	250	500	1000
2 year No. 1 Roots.....	\$1.85	\$3.10	\$5.00	\$10.00	\$15.60	\$25.00
1 year No. 1 Roots.....	1.15	1.90	3.00	6.00	9.40	15.00
Jumbo Super Size Roots.....	3.35	5.60	9.00	18.00	28.10	45.00

MacDonald RHUBARB Red

RHUBARB is a very popular perennial where winters are sufficiently cold to freeze ground 3 to 4 inches. A few plants well tended make an excellent supply of sauce and pies.

We offer only the MacDonald Red variety because of its marked superiority. Matures earlier, sweeter, and one planting lasts a lifetime.

PRICES

75c each - 3 for \$2.00 - 10 for \$6.00

YOU CAN RELY ON RAYNER BROTHERS

Maryland Golden SWEET POTATO PLANTS

This variety was developed here and has become the most popular Sweet Potato shipped from this great growing area.

The skin and flesh is of golden color and the quality is excellent for boiling, candied sweets, frying, baking and made into pies or potato bread.

Matures very early, affording the northern gardener the opportunity to harvest a sweet potato crop before cold weather. Satisfactory for storage until mid-winter. A small planting will supply your family requirements.

Sweet Potato Plants
Ready for Shipment May 25th
Order Now!

Prices:

50 plants \$1.00; 100 plants \$1.50;
250 plants \$3.50; 500 plants \$6.00;
1000 plants \$10.00

We have found our baskets fill the needs of truck farmers and gardeners who do not have a regular supplier in their area and who recognize that good containers mean higher prices for their fruit.

In offering baskets it is not our intent to compete with regular supply houses. Our sole interest is to render a service to our customers who have experienced difficulty in buying baskets locally. Good baskets are still scarce, so please order early.

HIGH-QUALITY PRE-DRIED AMERICAN BASKETS

Quarts			
100	-	\$1.60	500 carton - \$7.50
Pints			
100	-	\$1.60	500 carton - \$7.25

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YOU CAN RELY ON RAYNER BROTHERS

Our Customers Write To Us...

It is indeed gratifying to receive so many nice letters from our customers. We are quoting a few of them on this page.

Norristown, Pa., RFD No. 2, Sept. 30, 1948

It is the first time we have been able to get results with blueberries. They are beautiful bushes and produced a good crop. Anyone in this section that would like to see them is welcome to do so.
J. P. Mollenko

Zanesville, Ohio, April 29, 1949

I'm dropping this card to thank you for the service extended me in the past few years of dealing, and will not hesitate to tell all my friends and neighbors.

Bob Mitchell

Buffalo, N. Y., April 26, 1949

The plants arrived Monday, April 25th in good condition and after inspecting them they were classed as wonderful plants by a farmer friend who is going to share this order.

Irving N. Herman

Wilton, Conn., April 9, 1949

I am herewith enclosing order to plant new strawberry bed. Four years ago we planted your everbearing berries and for two years I was awarded a first and second prize for the finest berries exhibited in our Garden Club.

Mrs. L. Alstsheler

Maytown, Pa., April 4, 1949

We want to tell you we were much pleased with the strawberries last summer from the plants we received from you.

Mrs. C. J. Hiestand

Princeton, W. Va., Feb. 23, 1949

I have purchased from you in the past ... fine plants and produce fine berries. This is why you are receiving my order again this spring.

J. R. Guard, Sr.

Smithtown Branch, N. Y., Mar. 18, 1949

I want to say that you are the first nurserymen who would do what I wanted them to do. I sent you an order on March 11, received the plants on the 17th and set them out today.

G. M. Fuller

Baltimore County, Md., Mar. 15, 1949

The plants are just what you write about in your catalog. I surely will recommend my friends to buy from Rayners.

Mrs. John F. Pletka

Johnstown, Pa., Mar. 6, 1949

I got 100 Premier plants from you and I received 150 quarts the first season.

Walter A. Lape

Rittman, Ohio, Mar. 9, 1949
We like Rayners plants because they are such strong, vigorous plants.

Clarence B. Landis

Honolulu, Hawaii, Feb. 1, 1949

The plants (shipped Air Mail Jan. 22) arrived on Jan. 26 and in fine condition. I am well pleased at the results of this trial shipment.

Frederick G. Krauss

New Milford, N. J., June 21, 1949

My garden, thanks to your good plants, produced over 100 quarts —

Oscar R. Albrechtson

Kansas City, Mo., May 24, 1949

The plants arrived in fine shape and we are well pleased with them. Almost every plant lived.

Harry D. Cole

West Allis, Wis.

Your plants are the best I have ever bought. Came thru in fine shape and all living.

John Lewandowski

Sherrill, N. Y., May 18, 1949

The trees and strawberries I received from you are growing beyond my expectations.

C. W. Burnham

Lexington, Ky., May 9, 1949

I received my strawberry plants in fine shape, they are the largest and best rooted I have ever bought.

Charles Sears

Unionville, Conn., May 10, 1949

Received the plants O.K. and put them in a locker plant for one week before setting and they came out perfect and have lived almost 100% (5,000 plants).

Morris B. Hogan

Huntingdon, Pa., Mar. 28, 1949

Last year was the first I have picked berries off of your plants. I have picked a lot of strawberries but I never picked so large before. I had several boxes that I sold separate. 18 berries filled a quart box.

Charles H. Kreidler

Clintonville, W. Va., April 29, 1949

I know I will be pleased with whichever you choose for 3 years ago I had a patch of your berries that sure was a picture.

Isaac Cochran

BIG SAVINGS ON THIS COMPLETE GARDEN

One sure way to beat high food costs and set an even better table is to grow your own fruits and vegetables. Much better too, because you will have the benefit of that freshly picked flavor with all the natural taste and vitamins, too. A few dollars invested now will return to you dozens of times as you gather the bountiful harvests from your garden. These selections give you everything you need. And you can have them all - or any part - at real rock-bottom prices.

STRAWBERRIES - Enough to plant 300 ft. of row
 300 Plants 100 Early 100 Midseason
 100 Late Varieties selected for your area. **Worth \$8.30**

BLUEBERRIES - Selected varieties for a long season
 12 Plants 2 Year Size - - **Worth \$8.40**
 Will bear next summer

RASPBERRIES - 6 Red - 6 Black - 6 Everbearing
 18 Plants Newburgh, Indian Summer and Morrison
 (Will supply all black or all red on request) - **Worth \$5.05**

GRAPES - 2 Red - 2 Blue - 2 White
 6 vines Niagara, Concord and Caco - **Worth \$3.00**
 (Will supply all one color on request)

BLACKBERRIES - 6 Sturdy Plants - **Worth \$1.45**

ASPARAGUS and RHUBARB - **Worth \$5.10**
 50 2-yr. Roots - 3 McDonald Red

\$31.³⁰ VALUE FOR ONLY \$19.⁹⁸

"B" GARDEN without Strawberries - \$15.98
 "C" GARDEN without Blueberries - \$15.98
 "D" GARDEN without Raspberries - \$16.98
 "E" GARDEN without Grapes - \$17.98
 "F" GARDEN without Asparagus - Rhubarb - \$16.98
 "G" GARDEN without Blackberries - \$18.98

To order Complete Garden merely write "Complete Garden" on order sheet.
 Please order other Gardens by letter listed with each.

Our Pledge to You . . .

- 1 Plants purchased from these pages will be True-to-Name.
- 2 Your plants will be selections from the Very Best parent stock.
- 3 You will receive a Full count of plants with good healthy crowns and fully developed root systems.
- 4 Your Plants will be carefully dug and packed to reach you in perfect growing condition.
- 5 You will receive complete information for the utmost Growing Success.
- 6 All illustrations in this catalog are actual Photographs. Nothing has been done to mislead and we have carefully avoided overstatement.

You must be satisfied.
Any plants not entirely
satisfactory will be
replaced or your
purchase price refunded.

**Our Guarantee
to You**

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New York

Pointers on Planting

We would not be content to merely ship you an order of plants and display no further interest in the success of your plantings. We want these plants to grow well and produce abundant crops that will make you always glad you relied on Rayners for the best in plants. We are outlining on these pages the important phases of plant culture. You will also receive full planting information with your order and you are always welcome to write for additional information or advice.

Growing Strawberries

Strawberries are one of the easiest fruits to grow. Good plants set at the proper season in good soil will respond with ordinary care and cultivation. There is nothing complicated about growing strawberries, and by following these easy instructions the beginner can assure good results.

Soil Requirements—Strawberries can be produced in abundance on any good garden soil or land that has produced satisfactory crops of garden or regular field crops. Land that has had thorough cultivation is best but if vacant lot, garden space or field that has been unattended has a rank growth of weeds and grass this an indication that the soil is fertile enough to grow excellent crops of strawberries.

Preparing The Land—The land should be plowed or dug as early in the spring as possible and worked until a level plant bed is formed. An application of horse, cow, hog or sheep manure at the rate of 1 bushel for every 50 square feet is good if applied before plowing or worked well into the soil. However, if previous crops have been well fertilized, good results may be expected without further fertilizing. (See paragraph on Fertilizer and Manure). When planning to set additional ground in strawberries it is well to consider plowing under a late summer crop of such green manure as peas, beans and other grasses or cover crops, or even natural weed growth. Plowing under while green will cause cover crops to rot much faster and also help destroy weed seeds. Early fall sowing of cover crops for discing under as early as possible in spring is also a good practice.

Planting Methods—If plants are to be set in rows, mark off rows $3\frac{1}{2}$ to 4 feet apart from center to center so that rows will be about 2 feet wide when bedded and ample alleys will be left for cultivation. For the small garden and hand cultivation spacing may be narrower if desired. Plants should be set about 18 inches apart. In setting plants the most important points are to have the roots straight down with the soil packed firmly along entire root length and crown even with the surface. Proper depth is very important, but is easily established by following the illustration in these directions. If roots are too long (some varieties are much longer rooted than others) the roots may be clipped to a length of 4 or 5 inches without damage to the plants.

Readying The Plants For Setting—Plants from RAYNERS will come to you thoroughly cleaned with roots straightened and ready to set into the ground. Before setting, the roots should be covered with water so that they may soak up all moisture possible to hold them in good condition until the feeder roots begin their job. Before and during planting, keep plants protected from sun and wind and keep them thoroughly moist. IF PLANTS CANNOT BE SET SOON AFTER ARRIVAL they should be removed from the crate, the package material moistened, and then be repacked loosely. Stored in a cool, damp place they will keep in good condition three or four days. IF PLANTS MUST BE KEPT LONGER, they should be placed in cold storage around 32 degrees or if this is not convenient they should be heeled in. This is done by digging a V-shaped trench four or five inches deep. Spread plants thinly so soil contacts all roots and pack soil firmly up even with crowns of plants (note illustration). Water thoroughly and keep shaded if weather turns warm.

If weather turns colder a light covering of straw or other mulch will protect plants until ready for setting.

Cultivation—Frequent cultivation will keep the ground from becoming crusted and will greatly retard weed growth. Plants should be hoed soon after set and any plants too deep or too shallow should be attended to. Be sure crowns are not covered as this will smother the plant and cause it to die. If roots are exposed there is danger of drying out. (See illustration). Hoe and cultivate shallow to avoid disturbing the roots. After plant bed is formed plants should not be allowed to become too dense. About 7 plants per square foot is considered ample and extra plants may be cut out with the hoe. A well spaced row provides more and better fruit.

Removing Blossoms—Flower stems usually appear on strawberry plants soon after they are set in the field and as the production of fruit on newly set plants is a severe drain on their vitality, the flower stems should be removed as blossoms appear. This will materially help the number of new runner plants and give them a much better fruiting bed. WITH EVERBEARING PLANTS the blossoms should be removed until the plants are well established. This will usually require about sixty to ninety days.

Time To Plant—Early spring, just as early as the ground can be worked, is the best time to set strawberry plants. Light frosts that do not leave the ground will not injure the newly set plants. PLANT EARLY while plants are fully dormant and the weather is most favorable to good growth.

Early planting is the most important single factor in successful strawberry culture. April in the North; to May 15 in the far North; March and April in the Middle States; November to April in the South.

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How Plants Are Held Perfectly Dormant By Controlled Storage

Strawberry plants dug in winter and stored at controlled temperatures often show better results than freshly dug plants. The United States Department of Agriculture has conducted extensive experiments on our farms on proper storage temperatures and practices. These experiments proved that plants dug while still fully dormant (before April 10) and stored at the correct temperature would be more vigorous than freshly dug plants, especially when set later than April 15th.

For our own plantings we are now using controlled storage plants that are dug during the winter. These plants can be kept dormant as long as desired. When weather has held up planting until late spring plants held dormant by controlled storage have given us as good results as fresh dug plants set in March.

We know from our experience that plants set in late April or May will do much better if dug while fully dormant and properly stored, instead of freshly dug plants that have begun to make spring growth. If you have a commercial storage plant near you that provides storage at 32 degrees, we recommend you order your plants early and store them so you can have them whenever desired. We recommend storage plants without reservations.

Fertilizer and Manure—Barnyard manure may be applied in fall, winter or very early spring at the rate of about 10 tons or more per acre. It may be applied after plowing on light soils and then disced in, or before plowing on heavy soils. If strawberries are grown on land following crops that have been fertilized, it is not usually necessary to apply any manure or fertilizer. If plants are making a strong, vigorous growth and have dark-green foliage throughout the summer this indicates the supply is adequate and no additional supply is needed.

Complete commercial fertilizers (approximately 5-10-5 or 5-10-10 mixture) give good results and are used by many commercial growers. To aid plants in getting a vigorous start fertilizer may be applied broadcast and thoroughly worked in the soil a week ahead of setting plants, or may be applied as a top dressing at the first cultivation after plants are set. Apply evenly and brush off any that may be on the leaves. Six pounds per 100 feet of row or 700 pounds per acre is ample.

Chicken manure mixed two parts to one part 16% superphosphate makes a satisfactory material. Chicken manure should be applied evenly while foliage is dry. Barnyard manure includes horse, cow, hog and sheep manure, to be used as indicated in first paragraph. **WHERE FALL FERTILIZING IS INDICATED** on moderately fertile soils where growth of plants is not very vigorous, 5 to 7 pounds of fertilizer per 100 feet of row or 600 to 800 pounds per acre will give good results when applied in late August or September.

Spraying and Dusting—Strawberries are seldom subject to any serious damage from disease or insects. Healthy plants of varieties immune or resistant to disease are your best assurance. Should your plants develop insect trouble, write and describe the condition and we will be glad to advise you. It is also a good bet to call on your County Agent because of his familiarity with local problems. If you do not know him, we will supply his name and address.

Summer and Early Fall Planting Not Advisable—Strawberry plants should not be dug and shipped during the growing season. Satisfactory results can be obtained only from dormant plants dug and shipped in November. In the interest of our customers we do not ship plants during July, August, September and October.

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Mating Varieties—All the varieties we offer are perfect flowering and will produce a full crop when planted alone. Varieties will not mix.

Winter Mulching—Mulching is a good practice because it guards against winter injury to roots and crowns and prevents plants from heaving out of the ground by alternate freezing and thawing. Ordinarily as soon as temperatures of 25 degrees or lower have occurred, mulch should be applied to cover beds at least 2 inches deep. Straw, marsh hay, pine needles and similar materials are satisfactory. Where growth is not too vigorous, straw stable manure is recommended. As soon as growth starts in Spring the surplus mulch should be raked into the alleys. A light covering may be left for the plants to grow through. Mulching helps keep down weeds, keeps berries clean and conserves moisture, and for that reason is often practiced where winter injury is not a hazard.

Plants Required Per Acre

Plants required per acre at various planting distances:

Rows	Distance in Row	Plants per Acre
3½ feet apart	15 inches	10,000
3½ feet apart	18 inches	8,325
3½ feet apart	24 inches	6,225
3½ feet apart	30 inches	5,000
4 feet apart	15 inches	8,750
4 feet apart	18 inches	7,300
4 feet apart	24 inches	5,425
4 feet apart	30 inches	4,375

3 POINTS TO REMEMBER

FIRST—Plant **EARLY** in the Spring, just as soon as weather conditions permit preparing the soil. Plants set while fully dormant start far better and moisture supply and temperatures are most favorable in the Spring.

SECOND—Renew a part of your plantings each year. A planting is usually considered good for two or three years fruiting, with proper cultivation and favorable weather. However, the first year's fruiting is the best and in successive years the plants tend to blossom earlier and are more susceptible to frost damage and the size of fruit begins to run down. By renewing a part of your plantings each year you are assured of a more constant supply of finest quality berries.

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Growing Blueberries

Adaptability—Cultivated blueberries are being successfully grown from North Carolina to the Northern boundaries of the Country. The best indication that blueberries may succeed on a soil is that they or some related plants, such as huckleberries, azaleas, or laurel, are found growing there naturally. We do not feel any exact limit of adaptability has been established and would suggest trial plantings anywhere except in the deep South or where the soil is alkaline or very dry.

Soils—VERY IMPORTANT—Natural blueberry soils have a p.h. value from 3.8 to 5.5 with best growth occurring between p.h. 4.1 to p.h. 5. These soils have an abundance of humus and a fairly constant high water table. Such soils must have a good surface drainage, as flooding during the growing season may cause serious injury. Planting on this type of soil is usually done on wide ridges, six to seven inches high. **DO NOT PLANT BLUEBERRIES IN RICH GARDEN SOIL THAT HAS HAD THE BENEFIT OF LIME, STABLE MANURE OR OTHER SOIL SWEETENERS.** If you set blueberry plants in your garden or lawn the best method is to dig a large hole where each plant is to be set and fill with woods leaf mold (the decayed leaf and straw matter found in woodlands). If this material is not readily available mix your soil with generous proportions of peat, sawdust (preferably rotting hardwood sawdust), or similar humus materials. **UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES** should lime or stable manure be permitted to come into contact with the area in which plants are set. It should be borne in mind that the productiveness of a blueberry planting depends largely on the moisture supplied in the upper soil.

Mulching—On all but natural blueberry soil, a permanent mulch should be applied as soon as the plants are set. Such materials as straw, sawdust, salt hay, sudan grass, pine needles or leaves should be spread around the plants about six inches deep. Further applications should be made each year in sufficient quantities to maintain the mulch. With individual plants mulch should be applied over an area six to eight feet square.

Pruning—Usually very little pruning is necessary until the end of the third season, when regular annual pruning should ordinarily begin. Pruning directions are included with your order.

Fertilizer—The application of commercial fertilizer has given a very marked increase in the yield and size of fruit. Applications of $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ lb. per bush have been very successful. We are using a standard 5-10-5 fertilizer with very good results. Application should be made in a wide band spread evenly around the plant about 10 inches from the plant. Where sawdust mulch is used, 2 oz. sulphate ammonia per bush should be added the sec-

ond and third years to supply necessary nitrogen. Also note paragraph 2 on bottom of this page. **NO FERTILIZER SHOULD BE APPLIED THE FIRST YEAR PLANT IS SET.**

Pollination—It is generally conceded that many or all of the cultivated blueberries tend to be self-sterile. Therefore, two or more varieties should be planted to insure good pollination.

Planting—For commercial planting, plants are set every four feet in rows eight to ten feet apart as many varieties of blueberries reach a height of six to seven feet and a width of five to six feet. Plants should be set slightly deeper than they grew in the nursery, with the roots well spread out. When planting, we place a thin layer of pulverized peat and sand, which has been soaked and mixed half and half, below and above the roots. We feel this makes an ideal rooting medium, and will keep the plant well supplied with moisture until it becomes established. Before planting, **one-half to two-thirds of the top growth should be pruned off.** Should some of the buds be missed the blossoms may be pinched off first year as they appear. For the home planting plants may be set in whatever manner is convenient, giving them about thirty-two square feet of space to each plant.

Yields—On good blueberry soil, yields of 6 to 8 pints per plant may be expected from mature plants and with medium pruning plants may produce 12 to 20 pints. However, most varieties will tend to overbear and after the third year it is the practice of commercial growers to prune the plants to keep up the size of the berries and encourage vigorous new growth for the next year's crop. Individual bushes will produce some fruit after being planted 1 year. A good rule of thumb is to estimate 1 pint per year of age of well established bushes; for example, 6 pints from a 6 year bush, etc. Present records indicate that blueberry plantings, with proper care, will be profitably productive for fifty to seventy-five years, and possibly longer.

Profits—Since the introduction of these large, cultivated blueberries their excellent flavor and unusual size have kept them in the price bracket of a novelty and prices have ranged very high with 75c per pint often realized. The market continues to increase as more fruit becomes available and many areas are just beginning to enjoy the introduction of hybrid blueberries. It is safe to state the market has merely been scratched, and because of their solid meatiness, good keeping qualities and absolute minimum of waste (no caps to remove) customers feel justified in paying premium prices above other berries. All of these reasons establish the blueberry as a dependable profit maker.

POINTS TO REMEMBER ABOUT BLUEBERRIES

1. Plant at least two varieties to provide for cross pollination. Cultivated blueberries are considered self-sterile. Do not permit to fruit first year. Be sure to follow instructions in planting paragraph above.
2. Blueberries should not be planted on soils limed in recent years unless actual tests show soils are still acid enough for blueberries. For less acid soils, decaying leaves or acid peat, rotting straw, sawdust, etc., may be mixed into soil to make conditions suitable. This is important if you are planting in your garden or on your lawn. Aluminum sulphate at rate of 5 lbs. per 100 sq. ft. and up to 10 lbs. on heavy loams is excellent for garden plantings.
3. Do not permit lime or stable manure to come into contact with immediate area in which plants are set. See directions on Soils and Fertilizers on this page.

RAYNER BROTHERS ARE RELIABLE

GROWING RASPBERRIES

Select any well drained soil, preferably sandy loam or light clay or soil that will produce such crops as corn or potatoes. It is advisable to spread the land with manure before planting. Early spring planting is most satisfactory. For hill system the usual distance to plant is 5 ft. by 5 ft. If the hedge system is desired, plant 3 ft. apart in rows which are 5 to 7 feet apart. Before planting, the tops should be cut back to 6 inches or less, and plants should be set 2 to 3 inches deeper than they grew in the nursery (soil mark is very plain). Cultivate frequently enough to retain moisture and kill weeds, but be sure not to cultivate over 2 to 3 inches deep next to plants.

GROWING GRAPES

Plant in a well drained location six to eight feet apart. If set in rows the rows should be about 8 feet apart. Before setting, vines should be pruned back so that only a few inches of stalk remain with two or three buds. Roots may also be trimmed to an 8 to 10 inch length. Be sure to dig holes large enough to spread roots well and set slightly deeper than roots grew in nursery (this is indicated by a definite soil mark).

Stable manure is an excellent fertilizer. Nitrate of Soda at rate of 4 to 8 ozs. per bush is also widely used.

Grapes may be trained along a garden fence or

After the fruiting season remove all fruiting canes, cutting them close to the ground and burning them. This will help prevent disease and greatly aid new growth. Do not allow over 8 canes to grow to the plant. Remove all weak canes and suckers so as to throw all the strength into the young bearing canes. Topping canes in the early spring will strengthen the canes and aid in picking. Raspberries respond readily to fertile soil, and sufficient fertilizer or manure should be used to keep the soil in good fertile condition. A mulch of straw, hay, leaves, etc., helps retain moisture and takes the place of cultivation.

a regular arbor may be constructed to suit the desired arrangement in the garden. A simple method is to follow the practice of the commercial growers and settle posts from which three wires are strung with the lower wire supporting the vines as they grow from the main trunk and the middle and top wires to support the vine growth. This simple arrangement makes easy pruning as all that is necessary is to prune back to the main trunk branches along the lower wire in February or March before signs of new growth. **FULL PRUNING AND GENERAL CULTURAL DIRECTIONS WILL BE SENT WITH YOUR ORDER.**

GROWING ASPARAGUS

Asparagus grows best on light, loamy soil but is successful on practically any good garden soil. Before planting the soil should be worked well and furrows run out 6 to 10 inches deep, four to five feet apart. Roots should be set 12 to 18 inches apart down the furrows with roots well spread out. The crowns are covered firmly with three inches of soil when set and when cultivating the soil is gradually worked into the remaining furrow over a period of about 60 days or until level. Do not

fill furrow too fast to prevent smothering.

Cultivation should be thorough and at intervals frequent enough to keep down weeds, and conserve moisture. Shoots may be cut for two or three weeks the year following planting and thereafter as long as desirable and then let tops grow. Right after cutting season the field should be given a heavy application of stable manure or commercial fertilizer high in nitrogen, at the rate of 10 to 25 pounds per 100 feet of row.

GROWING RHUBARB

Plants should be spaced from 3 to 4 feet apart and the crowns set 4 inches below the surface so they will be covered with 2 to 3 inches of soil. Firm soil about the roots with the feet. Apply

liberal quantities of manure or fertilizer on land before planting. Shallow cultivation often enough to control weeds is all that is required. Mulching is an easy method of weed control.

GROWING BLACKBERRIES, BOYSENBERRIES

Culture is very similar to Raspberries. Cut back the plants when set, leaving 3 inches and not more than 6 inches of cane. Set plants same distance as Raspberries. Dig holes large enough to spread roots well and just deep enough to leave the crown or new growth about one inch under the soil. Pack soil firm, but not too hard, over the

bud so it can start growth without interference. Water well if ground is dry. Bush fruits do not need plant food the first year after planting. Well rotted stable manure makes a good mulch in late fall before the ground freezes. **FULL PRUNING, MULCHING AND OTHER INFORMATION INCLUDED WITH YOUR ORDER.**

GROWING SWEET POTATOES

Sweet potatoes are most productive and the tubers are better formed when grown on sandy or light soils. Plants may be set as soon as all danger of frost is past. Set on wide ridges 32 to 36 inches apart with the plants 12 to 18 inches apart in the ridge. On very light sandy soil the plants may be set level and ridges formed through cultivation, but on average soils it is best to form the ridges before planting.

Plants should be kept moist and protected from sun and wind until set. Watering as the plants

are set is a good practice. Cultivate until the vines practically cover the ground or tubers begin to form. Topdress with complete fertilizer, high in potash, a week to 10 days after planting at the rate of 4 to 6 pounds per 100 feet of row.

When digging, if the potatoes are to be stored for later use, care should be taken to avoid bruising and scarring. Lining the containers with paper is a good practice. Store in a dry, warm place where the temperature will not fall below 50 degrees.

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300 Plants	.31	.40	.55	.69	.84	1.03	1.22
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RASPBERRIES, BLACKBERRIES, BOYSENBERRIES

Quantity	Zones 1 & 2	3	4	5	6	7	8
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each additional plant add	.02	.03	.04	.05	.07	.09	.11
6 Plants 3 yr., 12-18"	.33	.43	.59	.75	.91	1.12	1.33
each additional plant add	.03	.04	.06	.07	.09	.12	.15
6 Plants 3 yr., 18-24"	.41	.54	.76	.97	1.20	1.49	1.78
each additional plant add	.04	.05	.08	.10	.12	.15	.20

GRAPES, RHUBARB

Quantity	Zones 1 & 2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3 Vines (or roots)	\$.21	.25	.32	.39	.46	.55	.64
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MISSIONARY	.75	1.25	2.00	3.50	4.50	6.25	8.25	10.00	9.00
PREMIER	1.00	1.70	2.70	4.75	6.10	8.45	11.15	13.50	12.50
HOWARD 17	1.00	1.70	2.70	4.75	6.10	8.45	11.15	13.50	12.50
TEMPLE	1.00	1.65	2.60	4.55	5.85	8.15	10.75	13.00	12.00

Midseason Varieties

ABERDEEN	.90	1.50	2.40	4.20	5.40	7.50	9.90	12.00	11.00
BIG JOE	1.00	1.65	2.60	4.55	5.85	8.15	10.75	13.00	12.00
CATSKILL	1.05	1.75	2.80	4.90	6.30	8.75	11.55	14.50	13.50
FAIRLAND	1.00	1.70	2.70	4.75	6.10	8.45	11.15	13.50	12.50
MASSEY	.90	1.50	2.40	4.20	5.40	7.50	9.90	12.00	11.00
PATHFINDER	.90	1.50	2.40	4.20	5.40	7.50	9.90	12.00	11.00
ROBINSON	1.05	1.75	2.80	4.90	6.30	8.75	11.55	14.00	13.00
SCARLET BEAUTY ..	1.05	1.75	2.80	4.90	6.30	8.75	11.55	14.00	13.00
SEN. DUNLAP	.90	1.50	2.40	4.20	5.40	7.50	9.90	12.50	11.50
SPARKLE	1.05	1.75	2.80	4.90	6.30	8.75	11.55	14.00	13.00
SUWANEE	.90	1.50	2.40	4.20	5.40	7.50	9.90	12.00	11.00

Late Varieties

AMBROSIA	.90	1.50	2.40	4.20	5.40	7.50	9.90	12.00	11.00
AROMA	.75	1.25	2.00	3.50	4.50	6.25	8.25	10.00	9.00
CHESAPEAKE	1.15	1.90	3.00	5.25	6.75	9.40	12.40	15.50	14.50
FAIRPEAKE	1.10	1.80	2.90	5.10	6.50	9.10	12.10	14.50	13.50
LUPTON	.90	1.50	2.40	4.20	5.40	7.50	9.90	12.00	11.00
REDSTAR	1.10	1.80	2.90	5.10	6.50	9.10	12.10	14.50	13.50

Everbearing Varieties

BRUNES MARVEL	1.25	2.10	3.30	5.80	7.45	10.35	13.65	16.50	15.50
GEM	1.90	3.15	5.00	8.75	11.25	15.65	20.65	25.00	24.00
MASTODON	1.90	3.15	5.00	8.75	11.25	15.65	20.65	25.00	24.00
STREAMLINER	2.25	3.75	6.00	10.50	13.50	18.75	24.75	30.00	29.00
SUPERFECTION	2.40	4.35	7.00	12.25	16.75	21.90	28.90	35.00	—
WAYZATA	2.40	4.35	7.00	12.25	16.75	21.90	28.90	35.00	34.00

Quantity Discounts

2000 Plants of a variety—Deduct 20c from 1000 rate quoted above.
 3000 Plants of a variety—Deduct 40c from 1000 rate quoted above.
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This is to Certify, That on the <u>15th</u> day of <u>September</u> , 194 <u>9</u> we examined the Nursery Stock of <u>Salisbury</u> <u>Rayner Bros.</u> County of <u>Vicinoles</u> located in <u>State of Maryland</u> , in accordance with the laws of Maryland, 1893, Chapter 289, Section 28, and that said nursery and premises are apparently free, so far as can be determined by inspection, from the San Jose Scale, Peach Yellows, Pear Blight, and other dangerously injurious insect pests and plant diseases. This Certificate is valid until <u>September 30</u> , 19 <u>50</u> , unless sooner revoked and does not include nursery stock not grown within this State, unless such stock is previously covered by Certificate and accepted by the State Entomologist and State Pathologist.
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