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Raspberries are best planted in hills, about four by six feet, and arranged so as to be cultivated both ways. Set the plant in furrow about an inch deeper than it stood in nursery; firm very carefully, and cultivate clean and well. Canes should be pinched back in July, but no lateral branches should be cut before March, when the plant should be trimmed to such dimensions as will enable it to hold up its fruit. Bearing beds should be worked well, but shallow until fruit begins to ripen. A good bed of these berries should last from six to ten years.

Red berries grow from suckers which put up from the roots. In bearing beds these suckers should be kept down by cultivator and hoe, allowing only about four good strong canes to each hill. Plants of all the cap raspberries are grown from tips of branches, which take root in the soft soil.

MILLER RED RASPBERRY.

We fruited this Raspberry the past season alongside of most all the best varieties. The berries began to ripen with the first and continued to give full pickings until the very last. The fruit sold in New York market in the height of the season at just double the price of other kinds.

The bush is stout, healthy, vigorous grower, not quite so tall as Cuthbert, rather more stocky and dwarfish. It is well calculated to hold up the immense crops of fruit with which it loads itself.

As compared with Cuthbert and Thompson, in the same field, it has never yet shown any signs of winter killing, whilst these have both suffered the past mild winter considerably. Berry is as large as Cuthbert, holding its size to the end of the season, round in shape, color bright red, does not fade, but will hold its color after shipment longer than any other red variety, core very small, does not crumble, making it the firmest and best shipping berry in existence; has not the flat taste of some varieties, but a rich fruity flavor entirely its own. The time of ripening is with the very earliest, the first picking being with Thompson's Early, June 11th, the Miller producing double the quantity of berries at each picking that Thompson's did, in the same field under the same conditions, continuing until August 3d—Thompson having been gone three weeks—fully as prolific as Cuthbert. It does not seem particular as to soil, having been fruited on light sandy, gravelly and heavy clay soils, with equal success. To sum up, it possesses the following points of superiority as compared with other varieties: 1st. Ripens with the very earliest. 2d. Productiveness equal to any. 3d. Has no equal as shipper. 4th. Perfectly hardy. 5th. Quality unsurpassed. 6th. Attractive color.

Below will be found a few testimonials from well-known horticulturists, commission men and fruit growers, who have seen and handled this berry:

{ U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
{ Division of Pomology, Washington, D. C., July 3, '94.

Dear Sir.—Your letter of July 2d describing the Miller Raspberry received, for which, and the berries, accept my thanks.

It has every appearance of being remarkably productive; in fact, your trial with it and Thompson's Early establishes its fruitfulness; is of a beautiful color which it retains even when berries are crushed in transportation, is of good size, of remarkable firmness and should prove a valuable addition to our list of red raspberries. In quality I consider it superior to Cuthbert.

Yours truly,

S. B. HEIGES, Pomologist.

LATER.—July 6th.—Since reading your letter of July 4th I am doubly impressed with the merits of the Miller. Its earliness, firmness, productiveness bright color and good quality combine to make it a very promising variety for market.

Yours truly,

S. B. HEIGES, Pomologist.

PARKSLEY, VA., July 13, 1894. Dear Sir.—Your letter of the 2d and the box of the Miller Raspberry came all right. It is indeed a good berry. The size, color and flavor are good, and it is quite firm enough to ship well.

Yours sincerely,

H. E. VAN DEMAN, Ex-U. S. Pomologist.

MILLER RASPBERRY.

Office of THE FARM JOURNAL,
Editorial Department, Philadelphia, July 3, 1894.

Dear Sir.—We received in good order the little box of Miller Raspberries. They are certainly very large and fine.

Yours truly, WILMER ATKINSON CO.

PHILADELPHIA, July 4, 1894. Dear Sir.—Your letter received. We think without exception you have sent us the finest red raspberries we have handled, and yesterday while all Queens were soft, your Miller was firm and hard.

SMITH & MILLER, Produce and Commission Merchants.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., July 13, 1894. Dear Sir.—Your raspberry called the Miller is the best raspberry that ever came to this market, for color and size. Their keeping qualities have never been equaled, as I have found that they are as firm after twenty-four hours standing as the general run of raspberries are at picking.

Yours, THOS. H. TOWNSEND, Commission Merchant.

PHILADELPHIA, July, 1894. Dear Sir.—The Miller Raspberry, which we have handled for you this season, we consider an excellent berry; surpassed by none in size, flavor and durability in shipping. We would recommend the cultivation of this variety, as it cannot but prove a very profitable undertaking for the grower.

Respectfully,

J. P. MOYER & Co., Wholesale Commission Merchants.

PHILADELPHIA, July 5, 1894. Dear Sir.—The red raspberries we have been handling for you, called the Miller, we have found to give the best satisfaction to our trade of any berry we have handled this season. They have been of good color, very large and firm, and we always had them engaged on arrival. Every one who has bought them of us has praised them very highly and has engaged them ahead. We have always been able to get from two to four cents per quart more for them than any of the other berries we have handled at same time. Wishing you success with your berries, we remain,

Yours, DENNEY & WRIGHT, Commission Merchants.

SEAFORD, DEL., July 28, 1894.—I have known the Miller Raspberry for ten years, having seen it when first known here, and recommended it as a splendid berry to the gentleman having it. The berry has now made its own reputation in this section and every one wants it that is engaged in raspberry culture. The chief characteristics of the plant are that it is a vigorous and hardy grower, a good bearer, earlier than Cuthbert, a splendid shipper, retaining its color and solidity longer than any other red berry, and with our people, has been the most profitable.

E. L. MARTIN,

Ex-Pres. Peninsula Horticultural Society and Del. Fruit Exchange.

BRIDGEVILLE, DEL., August 3, 1894.—I am satisfied the Miller Red Raspberry is the most profitable grown. I carefully examined it and other varieties side by side and I consider it, without doubt, more productive and better in every respect. Shipping qualities unsurpassed.

P. L. CANNON,
President First National Bank, Seaford.

Price, \$4.00 per doz.; \$10.00 per 100; \$75.00 per 1000.

(Caution.) Miller Raspberry should be bought direct from us or a nurseryman who is surely to be depended on. There will doubtless be worthless plants sold for Miller.

— P. EMERSON,

CAMDEN AND WYOMING AVE. NURSERIES,
WYOMING, DELAWARE.