

Thornless Blackberry/Rubus cultivars

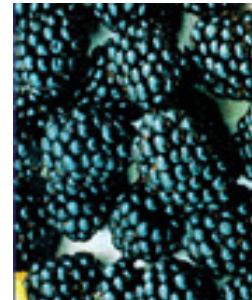
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All varieties are self-pollenating and upright, with most needing no trellising. Most begin to bloom in March and berries ripen in May – July. Plant in full sun to partial shade and moist, well-drained soil.

Rubus Arapaho – Earliest ripening variety with red and black berries, ripens a full 2 weeks before Navajo. Seeds are so small it is sometimes called “seedless”. Cold hardy, disease resistant, don’t need trellising. Excellent sweet flavor, good size, heavy producer, 4’-5’ at maturity. Yields 2-4 quarts per vine.



Rubus Apache – Ripens in June-July, very sweet. Slightly larger fruit. Don’t need trellising when primal cane is tipped at 3-4’. Ripens before Navajo, after Arapaho. Yields 2-4 quarts per vine.



Rubus Navajo – Last variety to ripen- June-July in the south. 4’-5’ at maturity. Cold hardy, heat resistant. Smaller fruit, but sweetest. Matures late, slightly higher yield than Arapaho and Apache.

