

Centra Blue



Blueberry type:	Rabbit Eye
Released:	2009
Key attributes:	Centra Blue is a very late medium chill variety with very good production, decent size and superior eating quality. Chosen for its outstanding fruit quality with a very attractive bloom on the fruit, little grittiness and an exceptionally late fruiting season.
Chilling Required:	Medium (400-600h < 7.2C)
Flowering:	Late Spring (50% late September) PDF = 120 Days
Pollinator:	Sky/Velutto Blue
Bud break:	First visible leaves starting early September.
Harvest:	Very late; start ripening the first week of February until end of March. Has an extended fruiting season.
Plant Vigour:	Crown like Northern High Bush, very vigorous & precocious
Yield:	Highly Productive, averaging approximately 10.5 Kg (observed range 8.1–14.4 Kg) per plant (25-35 ton/ha in full production)
Berry size:	Medium to large average 16-18mm size and averaging 2.2 g
Fruit shape:	Oblong to round
Colour:	Light blue; blue black with bloom removed
Bloom:	Strong; light blue
Picking Scar:	Small/Medium dry scar

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Firmness: Firm with good shelf life

Flavour: Very good, level averaged 11.4% (observed range 9.6–13.8 Brix). The fruit acidity measured as titratable acidity averaged 3.8 mg/g.

Disease: The plant does not seem to be susceptible to rust.

Licensed Countries: South Africa

Patent: <https://patents.justia.com/patent/PP20515>

Comparative Results *

Sky Blue	Centra Blue	Velluto Blue
Yield (Kg/bush)		
4	8	8
Berry Weight (g/berry)		
2.2	2.2	2.4
Berry Size (mm)		
15-19mm	16-18mm	16-20mm
Firmness (g/mm)		
190	175	180
Brix (%)		
14.3	11.4	12,8

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