

# Centra Blue



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

**Other:** No damage from rain

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

## Comparative Results \*

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

*Blueberries*