

Sky Blue



- Blueberry type:** Rabbit Eye
- Released:** 2009
- Key attributes:** This variety has medium to large sized fruit with an attractive appearance characterized by good bloom. The fruit has an outstanding eating quality with good balance between sugar and acidity.
- Chilling Required:** Medium (400-600h < 7.2C).
- Flowering:** Late flower bud break around late September.
PDF = 100 Days.
- Pollinator:** Centra Blue & Velluto Blue.
- Harvest:** Late season production: from early January to February, 2 weeks before Velluto Blue and 4 weeks earlier than Centra Blue.
- Plant Vigour:** Plant is upright with good vigour. The plants reach maturity in the fourth year of planting. (The recommended planting distance is 3mx1m = 3333 plants/ha).
- Yield:** Yield is good, averaging 4-5kg per mature plant (15-20 ton/ha).
- Berry size:** Medium- Large: Fruit diameter averages 15-18mm.
- Fruit shape:** Round to oblate fruit.
- Colour/Bloom:** Light blue with strong attractive bloom.
- Picking Scar:** Small dry scar.

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Ripening:	Late season, peak harvest in late December to Jan/Feb.
Firmness:	Average firmness with good shelf life. Recommended for local marketing.
Flavour:	Very good, fruit sweetness is high and Brix level average 14.3%, (observed range 12.7-15%) Balanced taste. Little grittiness.
Disease:	Little rust has been recorded. No symptoms of Anthracnose or Botryosphaeria spp. have been recorded.
Patent:	https://patents.justia.com/patent/20100115678

Comparative Results		
Sky Blue	Centra Blue	Velluto Blue
Yield (Kg/bush)		
5	8	8
Berry Weight (g/berry)		
2.2	2.2	2.4
Berry Size (mm)		
15-19mm	16-18mm	16-20mm
Brix (%)		
14.3	11.4	12,8

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