

BLUEBERRY PLANTS

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A QUART OF SELECTED RUBEL BLUEBERRIES

This illustration shows in its natural size a quart box of selected Rubel blueberries grown on the plantation at Whitesbog. Rubel blueberries have a beautiful color and heavy bloom, a pleasant tart flavor, and small unobtrusive seeds.

Rubel plants are strong and vigorous in growth, with exceptionally beautiful foliage and flowers.

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INTRODUCTION

It was only seven years ago that we began searching for superior wild blueberry plants and, in cooperation with the U. S. Department of Agriculture, experimenting with their cultivation.

In working out the best methods of propagation there has necessarily been a great loss of valuable material. It also takes at least three years after the selection of a wild blueberry bush before plants propagated from it produce their first fruit in the field. For these reasons we have less than two thousand partially tested plants to offer for sale.

Altho we have so few plants to offer, the numerous requests for information and prices on blueberry plants seem to justify the publication of this little circular.

SELECTED WILD PLANTS

The majority of the stocks now being tried out were found in 1914. Prior to that time thirty-six blueberry plants were selected and moved to the plantation at Whitesbog for propagation.

Plants from these thirty-six stocks have fruited in the field three or four seasons. Of these, two stocks, Rubel and Harding, have proven much superior to any of the others. Occasional berries have been found on each of these fully threequarters of an inch in diameter.

Of the HARDING we have so small a number of plants that none can be offered for sale this season, but we expect to be able to offer a few next year.

RUBEL PLANTS

Plants 12 to 18 inches high at Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) each

See illustration and description on the front cover.

The original bush, found in the summer of 1912, had twenty-five stems, five to six feet high. The largest plants in the field are now about four feet high and will grow much larger. They have borne an enormous crop for their size each of the four years they have fruited.

Without extra charge, one of the partially tested plants will be sent as a pollinator with each Rubel plant ordered.

PARTIALLY TESTED PLANTS

1500 plants, 9 to 24 inches high at \$1.25 each

Nearly sixty wild bushes were selected during 1914, the plants propagated from which bore their first few berries in the field the past summer. From this small fruiting we satisfied ourselves that a number of the stocks