





Cultural Tips For The Successful Grower

Chester

Thornless Chester: Thornless variety. Large, sweet, high quality berries with good flavor. Excellent for fresh eating, jams, jellies, and pies. Flowers same time as the Hull Blackberry, but ripen about 10 days later. The Chester is most resistant to Cane Blight caused by Botryosphaeria Dothidea. Performs well in the deep South. Will not soften or lose color on hot, sunny days. Ripens in August. Hardy in Zones 5-7 but could be worth a try in zones 8-9.



Planting Instructions: One year old tip plants should be planted in March or April. Two year old transplants may be planted earlier, one inch deeper than the plant grew in the nursery. Any white sprouts arising from the crown should be covered with soil to prevent burning by the sun. The older stems or tops on transplants may be cut back several inches. Blackberries should be spaced 4-6 feet in the row and 6-8 feet between rows, depending on equipment.

Variety	Zone	Season	Size	Flavor	Classification	Exposure	Spacing
Chester	5-7 	 ↑ July	 Large	Very Sweet	Semi-Erect Thornless Blackberry	Full Sun 	4-6' in row

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