

## Cultural Tips For The Successful Grower Northsky


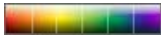
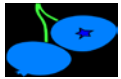

**Northsky** - Developed at the University of Minnesota. Small to medium, light blue fruit with dusty bloom. (Smaller than Northblue). Excellent wild blueberry flavor that is superior to most highbush varieties. Low spreading bush with dense foliage. 12-18 inches tall and can get to 24-36 inches wide. Small dark green leaves turn red in the fall. Yields 1-2 pounds per bush. Home garden variety for areas with severely cold winters, but abundant snow cover. Grows well in zones 3-7.



### Planting Instructions: Low Bush

Start with selecting a sunny location in well drained soil free of weeds and well worked. Locate in an area where irrigation water is available as best results will be obtained by keeping the root zone moist throughout the growing season. Where the soil is poor or marginally drained, raised beds 3-4 feet wide and 8-12" high work very well for blueberries. Blueberries can be planted as close as 2-1/2 feet apart to form solid hedgerows or spaced up to 3-4 feet. If planted in rows, allow 8-10 feet between the rows depending on equipment used for mowing or cultivating.

**Mulching** - Blueberries do best with a 2-4" mulch over the roots to conserve moisture, prevent weeds and add organic matter. Bark mulch, sawdust, grass clippings, etc. all work well. Repeat every other year.

Variety	Zone	Season	Size	Classification	Exposure	Flavor	Spacing
Northsky	3-7 	 ↑ Mid July	 Small/Medium	Halfhigh	Full Sun 	Excellent, Wild Flavor	3-4 Feet

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