## **Prairie Gardens Blueberry Chart**

All Blueberries, Lingonberries & Bog Cranberries need a very acidic PH of 4.8 to thrive.

Variety & Classification	Hardiness Zone	Size	Ripening Time	Pollination Partners	Fruit and Other Notes
Chippewaw Half-High Blueberry	Zone 2b	Tall 48" T x 36" W	Mid to Late Season	Pollinator Northblue	Medium to large, very light blue, firm fruit. Very sweet flavor.
Northsky Half-High Blueberry	Zone 3	Dwarf 10-18 in tall x 24-36 in wide	Mid Season	Pollinators North Country or Polaris, Northland	Small to medium, sky blue fruit. Excellent wild blueberry flavor.
Northland Half-High Blueberry	Zone 3	Tall 3-4 ft tall x 3-4 ft wide	Early - Mid Season	Pollinators Northsky, North Country or Polaris	The fruit size is small, 136 berries per cup. Small, round, medium firm, dark blue berries. Wild blueberry flavor. Best for fresh eating. Best for the landscape and very soil tolerant. Yeild: 15 pounds per shrub
Northblue Half-High Blueberry	Zone 3	Medium 20-30 in tall x 20-40 in wide	Mid Season	Self-pollinating. Yields improve when planted with Northcounty, Chippewaw	Taste of wild blueberry. The quality of the fruits is very good . Fruit Weight : Average 120 berries per pound. Plump, firm, sweet, .5 inch navy blue fruit. Excellent wild blueberry flavor. Easy to pick. Good for fresh use, keeps well in the refrigerator. Yield of 3 to 7 pounds per shrub.
Northcountry Half-High Blueberry	Zone 3	Dwarf 18"-24" Tall x 30" Wide	Early to Mid Season	Pollinator: Northblue, Northsky	Fruit is small to medium, 1/4"- 3/8" in diameter Fruit Flavor : Sweet, wild blueberry taste. Fruit Weight : 0.8 gr / fruit Yield 2-7lb per plant
Polaris Half-High Blueberry	Zone 3	Tall 4 ft tall x 3 ft wide	Mid/Late Season	Pollinator Northland, St. Cloud	Medium size, very firm, light blue fruit. Highly aromatic flavor.
St. Cloud Half- High Blueberry	Zone 3b	Tall 3-4 ft tall	Mid/Late Season	Pollinator Northblue, North Sky, Polaris, Chippewaw, Wild Lowbush	Large to very large, light to medium blue fruit. Medium to firm flesh. Aromatic with a touch of tartness. Excellent for the home garden in urban areas, as is the least hardy.

Wild/Native Alberta Cree: ikomína Low-bush Blueberry Vaccinium myrtilloides AKA Bog Billberry	Zone 1	Dwarf 10"-14" T x 12" Wide	Early August	Self-pollinating	Wild blueberries are sweeter and have a powerful blueberry flavour. The smaller fruit also make them superior when it comes to baking. Wild Blueberry leaf tea is widely used by people suffering Type 2 diabetes, to stabilize and reduce blood sugar levels and to reduce the need for insulin," Edible and Medicinal Plants of Canada. "Recent research confirms this activity in pharmacological models."
BB4 — Dwarf Wild Lowbush Blueberry Vaccinium angustifolium	zone 2A.	Dwarf 12" Tall x 24" Wide	Early - August	Pollinator Wild Blueberry	Medium to large, tasty, sweet, powder-blue fruits. It is adapted to cold zone 2A. Cultivar originates from Ascension Lac-St-Jean, Qc.The lowbush blueberry is native to northern Canada
Brunswick Lowbush Blueberry Vaccinium angustifolium	Zone 3	Dwarf 12" - 24" Tall x 24" Wide	August	Pollinator BB4, Wild Blueberry	Fruit: Medium dark blue, firm Fruit Flavor : Very good flavor, sweet wild blueberry

## **BOG CRANBERRY aka LINGONBERRY (Cousin of Blueberries)**

Lingonberry Vaccinium vitis-idaea Cree: wîsakimin AKA Bog Cranberry partridgeberry, mountain cranberry or cowberry	Zone 1	Low Groundcover Ht 3" Sp 12"	Late September and October	Native to the Arctic tundra throughout the northern hemisphere. During the growing season, the Arctic region is characterized by long days—providing plenty of light and cool temperatures.	Richly flavoured wild lingonberries have a tart and slightly sweet cranberry-like flavour that nicely complements savoury dishes. Lingonberries and cranberries contain manganese, a mineral that helps control blood sugar levels. A 2012 study found that drinking one cup of cranberry juice daily helped regulate blood sugar in male patients with type 2 diabetes.
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Red Candy Lingonberry Vaccinium vitis-idaea	Zone 3	Low Groundcover Ht 3" Spread 12"	Late September - October. Lingonberries can remain hanging on the bush in good condition and edible all winter long.	Self Pollinating	Fruit are ½ inch across, glossy and rich, candy red.
Bog Cranberry Native Vaccinium oxycoccos Cree: wîsakimin small cranberry, marshberry, bog cranberry, swamp cranberry	Zone 1	Low Groundcover Ht 2" Spread 12"	Late September - October. Bog Cranberries can remain on the vines in good condition and edible all winter long.	Self Pollinating	The fruit is a round berry, ¼ to ¼ inch diameter, maturing to shiny dark red, and often persisting through winter.  Grows in spagnum moss bogs and wet areas across the arctic.