# THE URBAIN FARMER'S GUIDE

PLANTING GUIDE:
HOW TO GROW BERRIES
IN COUNTAINER











### GROW STRAWBERRIES IN CONTAINER



#### WHEN CHOOSING A CONTAINER

You can have several strawberry plants in one pot. Whatever type of garden pot you use, make sure there is good drainage.



#### **HOW TO CHOOSE STRAWBERRIES PLANTS**

There are two types of strawberry plants; June bearing and ever-bearing. For container culture, it is preferable to use the ever-bearingto obtain a production throughout the summer.



#### **PLANTING SEASON AND FERTILIZATION**

In early spring, fill your container with a good quality soil, adding a slow release organic and synthetic source fertilizer.



#### PLANTING METHOD

Plant just deep enough so that the crown is at the same height as the soil. All strawberries need constant water to grow. Keep the soil moist and if possible, water in the morning or during the day but not in the evening, to prevent pathogens. Then strawberries grow with maximum sunlight.



# GROW STRAWBERRIES IN CONTAINER



Nothing better than fresh strawberries and what a decorative addition to any patio!



Strawberries have shallow roots, so it is easy to grow them in pots, both indoors and out.



### GROW RASPBERRIES IN A HEDGE/CONTAINER



#### WHEN CHOOSING A SITE/CONTAINER

Raspberries grow easily in all types of soil. They adapt to full sunlight as well as partial shade sites. In a container, water if necessary maintaining a moist soil.



#### **HOW TO CHOOSE RASPBERRIES PLANTS**

We recommend fall fruiting varieties for continuous production, but summer varieties are also good.



#### **PLANTING SEASON AND FERTILIZATION**

In early spring, fill your container with a good quality soil, adding a slow release organic and synthetic source fertilizer.



#### **PLANTING METHOD**

Planting in a row, the raspberry can easily replace a hedge. In a container, plant several stems in pots according to the size of your container.



# GROW RASPBERRIES IN A HEDGE/CONTAINER



### GROWING BLUEBERRIES IN CONTAINER/BUSHES



#### WHEN CHOOSING A CONTAINER/SITE

Please opt for a sunny, well-drained and sheltered location. In pot, it is advisable to double the size of the container according to the growth of the bush. Irrigate regularly.



#### **HOW TO CHOOSE BLUEBERRY PLANTS**

Choose more than one variety to get good pollination. For example, plant three varieties of blueberries in a corner of your garden.



#### PLANTING SEASON AND FERTILIZATION

Plant the blueberry bush in early spring and fertilize with slow release fertilizer from organic or synthetic sources. Also, please take into account the acidity of the soil. Peat moss amendments will reduce soil pH to adequate levels.



#### PLANTING METHOD

The first fruits appear in mid-July. In autumn, after the leaves falls, the plants are laid down and covered with a winter's blankets.







# GROW BLUEBERRIES IN CONTAINER/BUSHES



### GROWING BLACKBERRIES IN A HEDGE/CONTAINER



#### WHEN CHOOSING A SITE/CONTAINER

Blackberry plants grow easily in all types of soil. They are suitable for both sunny and partial shade. In a container, water if necessary maintaining a moist soil.



#### **HOW TO GROW BLACKBERRIES PLANTS**

You are encouraged to grow thornless varieties. Demanding little maintenance, rustic and vigorous, the blackberry garden can be set to grow along a wall or in a container.



#### PLANTING SEASON AND FERTILIZATION

Very early in the spring, plant with slow release fertilizer from organic or synthetic sources.



#### **PLANTING METHOD**

Planting in a row, blackberry plants can easily replace a hedge. In a container, plant a stem in pots according to the size of your container.





# GROW BLACKBERRIES IN A HEDGE/CONTAINER





### GROWING HASKAP IN A HEDGE/CONTAINER



#### WHEN CHOOSING A SITE/CONTAINER

Haskap grow easily in all types of soil. They are suitable for both sunny and partial shade. In a container, water if necessary maintaining a moist soil.



#### **HOW TO CHOOSE HASKAP'S PLANTS**

Choose more than one variety to get good pollination. For example, plant three varieties of haskap in a corner of your garden.



#### PLANTING SEASON AND FERTILIZATION

Plant early in spring with slow release fertilizers of organic or synthetic source.



#### **PLANTING METHOD**

Planting in a row, haskap can easily replace a hedge. In a container, plant one stem per pot depending on the size of your container.





# GROWING HASKAP IN A HEDGE/CONTAINER



### GROWING ASPARAGUS IN A <u>HEDGE/CON</u>TAINER



#### WHEN CHOOSING A SITE/CONTAINER

Asparagus can be grown in the vegetable plot or vegetable garden. Note that asparagus prefers sun exposure, even if it adapts to mid-shade. Please favor a container of good depth. Irrigate if necessary, keep soil moist.



#### **HOW TO CHOOSE ASPARAGUS PLANTS**

At the time of purchase, the asparagus plants are very young. The harvest will start the following year and will be more abundant every year.



#### PLANTING SEASON AND FERTILIZATION

Plant early in spring with slow-release fertilizers of organic or synthetic origin.



#### **PLANTING METHOD**

Planting is a very important step. You will have a staggered production over several years, which is why good preparation must be respected. Please spread the claw 30 cm deep into the container and ensure that the pot is well drained.





# GROWING ASPARAGUS IN A HEDGE/CONTAINER





#### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Increasingly, people are interested in gardening: a return to the roots emerges and especially the advantage of being able to cultivate our fruit trees according to our own standards. The information you will find in this guide will help you learn the basics and discover the URBAN FARMER in you!

Below, you can find a brief list of Internet links that may be useful to you. For a more extensive and specialized list, please consult the additional resources sheet in the Guide to Cultutral Methods.

#### **VANCOUVER SUN**

http://vancouversun.com/homes/gardening/brian-minter-berries-can-perform-well-in-small-spaces-or-containers

#### **OMAFRA**

http://www.omafra.gov.on.ca/english/crops/facts/99-033.htm

#### **BALCONY GARDEN WEB**

http://balconygardenweb.com/best-berries-to-grow-in-containers/

#### SPACE FOR LIFE

http://espacepourlavie.ca/en/choice-container-and-soil

#### BIOCITÉ - CULTIVER UN JARDIN COMESTIBLE

http://biocite.ca/fr/

