

Currant

Ribes rubrum

QUICK FACTS

USDA ZONES

3-7

SUNLIGHT

Full Sun To Partial Shade

HEIGHT

4-5 ft

AT A GLANCE

Red and white currants are the most versatile for American gardens -- self-fruitful, tolerant of partial shade, excellent for jams and juice, and reliably hardy in zones 3-7. Black currants have an intense, complex flavor valued in European cooking and cassis but are less common in the US and subject to state-level regulations in some areas.

PLANTING CHECKLIST

- Match site to sun requirements above before buying
- Test soil drainage — dig a 12" hole, fill with water, time it (should drain in 1-2 hrs)
- Dig hole 2x wider than rootball, same depth
- Backfill with native soil — do NOT amend the planting hole
- Water deeply at planting and weekly for first 3 weeks
- Mulch 2" deep, keep mulch 2" away from trunk/stems

FULL GUIDE WITH SOURCES

<https://outdoorplantcare.com/plants/currant-care/>