

Honeyberry

Lonicera caerulea

QUICK FACTS

USDA ZONES

3–7

SUNLIGHT

Full Sun

HEIGHT

3–6 ft

POLLINATORS

Yes

AT A GLANCE

Honeyberry requires two or more genetically different cultivars for fruit production -- unlike many self-fruitful shrubs. Choose cultivars within the same bloom-time group. Flavor is highly variable by cultivar -- early-generation varieties were bland; newer cultivars developed since 2010 are considerably better. Plant in full sun for maximum production.

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/honeyberry-care/>