



# CURRANTS

**Currant varieties come in shades of red, black and white.**

**Red currants** are high in pectin, making them ideal for jams and jellies.

**Black currants** have five times the Vitamin C as oranges and make wonderful liqueurs.

**White currants** are typically sweeter and less acidic than red currants and are best eaten fresh.

<b>BEN LOMOND</b> <i>Black</i>	Self fertile black currant! Good flavor. Good for fresh eating and freezing. Mildew resistant. Grows to 5'.
<b>BLANKA</b> <i>White</i>	White, translucent berries. Great for preserves due to its high sugar content. Good shelf life. Grows to 5'.
<b>CASCADE</b> <i>Red</i>	Large berry. Slightly sweeter than other red varieties. Excellent pest resistant variety for the PNW. Grows to 5'.
<b>CHERRY</b> <i>Red</i>	Large, dark red and very juicy, but firm fruit w/ pleasant, mildly acidic flavor. Excellent for jam, jelly, sauce and eaten fresh. Heavy yields ripen in early September.
<b>CONSORT</b> <i>Black</i>	Medium to large fruit with bluish-black skin. A sweet, strong flavor. Good for jams, jellies, wine and preserves. Vigorous and productive.
<b>CRANDALL</b> <i>Black</i>	Large black currants with a unique, sweet-tart flavor. Excellent for jam, syrup and juice. Very productive. Yellow fragrant flowers. Ripens in August.
<b>HEROS</b> <i>Red</i>	Large fruit with small seeds. Good flavor. Good all purpose berry, but especially good for jams and jellies. Grows to 4'.
<b>LAXTON'S GIANT</b> <i>Black</i>	Very large fruit with thin skin. Sweet and juicy when ripe. Great for desserts. Vigorous and spreading. Grows to 5'
<b>PRIMUS</b> <i>White</i>	One of the sweetest! Good for cooking, wine and juice. Very high Vitamin C content. Ripens late. Grows to 5'.
<b>MINNESOTA 52</b> <i>Red</i>	Large red fruit. Mid season. Good for fresh eating or for jam. Grows to 4'.
<b>RED LAKE</b> <i>Red</i>	Large dark red fruit perfect for jellies, preserves, tarts and muffins. Ripens in July & will produce fruit in shade.
<b>TSEMA</b> <i>Black</i>	Very productive unusual variety. Proven to do well in the Pacific Northwest. High Vitamin C content.
<b>VIOLA</b> <i>Black</i>	Strong, musky flavor. Good for jellies and juice. Heavy bearing. Ripens early July for the Willamette Valley. Grows 5-6'.
<b>WHITE IMPERIAL</b> <i>White</i>	Loose clusters of beautiful, white, translucent fruit with a pink blush. Medium to large fruit size. Richest and sweetest of all currants. Similar to red currants in size and hardiness.