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Botanical Name: Rubus idaeus Heritage
Common Names: Red Raspberry,
Native: No
Foliage Type: Deciduous
Plant Type: Citrus & Fruit, Hedging / Screening, Shrubs
Plant Habit: Climbing / Twining, Spreading, Upright

Description:

Heritage Raspberry is a vigorous growing, suckering shrub with thorny trailing canes. A mid season variety that can be harvested from late summer to autumn. It produces an abundance of medium sized red berries that have excellent flavour, the fruit can be eaten fresh or used in cooking or preserving.

Family Name: Rosaceae

Origin: Europe

Characteristics:

Foliage Colours: Green

Flower Colours: Pink, White

Flower Fragrant: No

Flowering Season: Spring

Fruit: Yes

Requirements:

Growth Rate: Fast

Maintenance Level: High

Water Usage: High

Tolerances:

Drought: Medium / Moderate

Frost: Moderate

Wind: Moderate

Mature Height: 1-2m **Position:** Full Sun, Semi Shade

Mature Width: 60cm-1m **Soil Type:** Well Drained

Landscape Use(s): Climber / Creeper, Edible Garden, Feature, Formal Garden, Hedging / Screening, Container / Pot

Pest & Diseases:

Botrytis, Generally trouble free

Cultural Notes:

Raspberries prefer a cool temperate climate and sheltered site. You will get best results when planted in fertile well drained soil. If planting in rows plant in north south lines to maximise sunlight, they do like shade from the hot summer sun. Fruit is produced on one year old wood, once fruit is harvested prune those canes to the ground. New shoots will appear in spring and you can prune these to keep the bush to a manageable size of about 5-6 canes. A support structure will aid in plant support and shape. Apply a mulch of mushroom compost or rotted manure and straw at the end of winter and add a organic slow release fertiliser. You may have to protect fruit from birds by netting.

Plant Care:

Annual slow release fertiliser, Keep moist during dry periods, Liquid feed, Mulch well

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