

Vaccinium

# 'Emerald'



Vaccinium 'Emerald' is a Southern Highbush blueberry cultivar developed by the University of Florida. This cultivar is particularly prized for its early-season, high-quality fruit and low chill hour requirement, making it an ideal choice for regions with warmer climates and mild winters.

Reaching a mature size of 5 to 6 feet in both height and width, 'Emerald' produces large, firm berries that have a mild, sweet flavor. The plant is partially self-fertile, but fruit production can be significantly improved by planting it alongside another Southern Highbush variety. It will overwinter in USDA zone 6, but performs best in Zones 8 through 10, where it thrives and offers consistent yields and early harvests. Requires only 150 to 250 chill hours.

'Emerald' is known for its vigorous growth and high productivity, making it a top choice for both commercial blueberry growers and home gardeners looking for reliable, flavorful fruit in warmer climates.

Common Name

**Southern Highbush Blueberry**

Variety

**'Emerald'**

Zone

**Zone 8**

Mature Size

**6'H x 6'W**

Bloom Time

**Spring**

Plant Type

**Fruits**

Flower Color

**White**



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