



Zucchini is a variety of summer squash. They grow best in full sun and need a slightly acidic to neutral soil pH (5.5 – 7.5). Zucchini plants prefer rich loam soils.

Common Uses:

Zucchini Bread
Zucchini Brownies
Zucchini Pasta (Dry)

Apples grow best in full sun, requiring at least 8 hours of sunlight a day. They also need moist, well-drained soil with a pH between 5.5 and 7.0. Apples can grow in soils ranging from medium clay to sandy loam.

Common Uses:

Apple Butter
Apple Jelly
Apple Pie/Pie Filling

Blueberries grow best in full sun areas with well-drained soils. They require acidic soils with a pH between 4 and 5. Blueberry bushes prefer sandy loam soil.

Common Uses:

Blueberry Preserves
Blueberry Syrup
Blueberry Muffins

Grapes can be planted in the early spring (after last killing frost) or in the early fall (six weeks before first frost). Grapes grow best in well drained soils that are high in potassium and have a pH of 6.5. Grape vines perform best in sandy soils.

Common Uses:

Grape Jelly
Pickled Grapes
Candied Grapes

Strawberries grow well in a variety of soils but prefer more loam-based soils that drain well. Strawberries also need a pH between 5.5 and 7 to thrive. Strawberries grow best in sandy loam soil.

Common Uses:

Strawberry Bread
Strawberry Preserves
Strawberry Cake

Lavender requires 6 to 8 hours of full sun a day. While it can grow in a variety of soil types, it requires the soil to be well-drained to prevent root rot. Lavender grows best in sandy loam soil.

Common Uses:

Lavender Cookies
Lavender Tea (Dry Blend)
Lavender Scones

Peach trees need moderately fertile and well-drained soil to grow. They also require a slightly acidic soil pH that is between 6 and 6.5. Peach trees grow best in sandy loam soil.

Common Uses:

Peach Preserves
Peach Pie
Peach Cobbler

Honey can be harvested 2-3 times per year, given a mild year for climate and disease. Honey is primarily harvested between June and September. The best location for the hives is in a flat, dry area where bees have a food and water source two miles away maximum. The best soil for food source flowers is sandy loam.

Common Uses:

Raw Honey
Hot (Spicy) Honey
Honey Cake