

PLANTINGS FOR EASTERN BLUEBIRDS

Below we have listed the trees/shrubs that produce berries/fruit that Eastern Bluebirds have been observed eating. All of these species will grow in at least one hardiness zone of New York State. All are considered native, non-invasive species and are recommended for planting on your property. Before purchasing, please check with your local nursery or Cooperative Extension to be sure they are rated to grow in your hardiness zone. We encourage you to be environmentally responsible by planting native species. **Note:** Although poison ivy is a native species and birds will utilize the berries, we do not recommend planting it due to its toxicity to humans

Common Name	Scientific Name	Fall Fruit	Winter Fruit	Spring or Summer
Bayberry	<i>Myrica pennsylvanica</i>		X	
Beautyberry, American	<i>Callicarpa americana</i>			X
Beauty Bush				
Bittersweet, American	<i>Celastrus scandens</i>	X		
Bradford Pear	<i>Pyrus calleryana</i> 'Bradford'			X
Cedar, Eastern Red	<i>Juniperus virginianum</i>		Preferred	
Cherry, Black	<i>Prunus serotina</i>	X		
Cherry, Pin/Wild Red	<i>Prunus pennsylvanica</i>	X		
Chokeberry, Red	<i>Aronia arbutifolia</i>		X	
Chokecherry, Black/Common	<i>Prunus virginiana</i>	X		
Crabapple	<i>Malus sylvestris</i>	X		
Dogwood, Flowering	<i>Cornus florida</i>	Preferred		
Dogwood, Red Osier	<i>Cornus stolonifera</i>	X		
Elderberry, American	<i>Sambucus canadensis</i>	Preferred		
Grapes, Wild (Winter or Muscadine), Thompson	<i>Vitis sp. (Winter is Vitis vulpine)</i>		X (small)	
Seedless Table Grapes, Concord, Delaware				
Hackberry, Common	<i>Celtis occidentalis</i>		X	
Highbush Blueberry	<i>Vaccinium corymbosum</i>	X		
Holly, American	<i>Ilex opaca</i>			X
Holly, Blue Boy and Blue Girl	<i>Ilex x meserveae</i>			X
Holly, Foster	<i>Ilex x attenuate</i> 'Foster'			Preferred
Inkberry	<i>Ilex glabra</i>	X		
Mountain Ash, American	<i>Sorbus americana</i>		X	
Mulberry, Red	<i>Morus rubra</i>	X		
Nannyberry	<i>Viburnum lentago</i>		X	
Pear, Aristocrat	<i>Pyrus calleryana</i>		X	
Persimmon	<i>Diospyros virginiana</i>			X
Pokeweed, Common (pokeberry, pokeroot, inkberry)	<i>Phytolacca americana</i>			Preferred
Pyracantha/Scarlett Firethorn	<i>Pyracantha coccinea</i>			Last resort
Raspberry	<i>Rubus sp.</i>	X		
Red Currant	<i>Ribes triste</i>			X
Sassafras	<i>Sassafras albidium</i>			X
Serviceberry/Shadbush, Juneberry	<i>Amelanchier arborea</i> (hybrid), <i>A. canadensis</i>			X
Sumac, Staghorn	<i>Rhus typhina</i>		X	
Winterberry	<i>Ilex verticillata</i>	X		

Assistance with the compilation of this listing was given by Bet Zimmerman. Further details on plantings maybe found on her website at <http://www.sialis.org/plants.htm>. Or, contact NYS Bluebird Society by email: Info@nysbs.org or visit the website at www.nysbs.org

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