**Vaccinium ashei ‘Ochlockonee’**

- **Use:** Part of the Georgia River Series Ochlockonee is a 2002 release of the University of Georgia. Fruit ripens late June through mid August producing excellent yields. It has good berry color, firmness and a dry picking scar. Plant growth habit is very vigorous and upright. Suggested pollinators are Brightwell and Powderblue.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Prefers light, acid soils (pH 4.5-5.2) with high organic matter (20-50%) are preferred, unlike most fruit crops.
- **Growth:** Moderate, 4-10’ tall and wide; best if pruned.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 6-9; shrub
- **Pollination:** Plant more than one variety for cross-pollination to promote adequate fruit set. Also, choosing varieties from the different ripening categories provides a broad harvest season.
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Bluish-green foliage.
- **Flower:** Berries are blue-black color; good fruit quality. Fruit mature in about 90 days from bloom. Chilling requirement is 600 to 650 hours. More info from UGA on our website on the PLANT INFORMATION PAGE.