

Sweet-Ark™ Thornless Ponca Blackberry



Growing your own berries is so easy and rewarding with these thornless blackberry plants. Excellent for home and commercial use, will definitely make a great addition to any vegetable and edible garden or landscape!



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Rubus h. 'Ponca' PP3330

- **Use:** A new, sweet cultivar for blackberry lovers! This recent release by the University of Arkansas, Sweet-Ark™ `Ponca` is a thornless, erect variety that is sure to impress the home gardener. The Sweet-Ark Blackberry bears some of the sweetest and most flavorful berries to come out of the program. Self-pollinating. Excellent for antioxidant and other beneficial health effects. Its dependably sweet, low acid berries grab the attention of all that get to taste the fruit of this new cultivar.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Prefers full sun and well-drained, moderately fertile soil. Good air circulation in between plants with spacing will help prevent disease. Raise soil pH to a 6.5-6.8 for best results.
- **Growth:** When your plant matures, it will be approximately 4 - 5' tall x 3 - 4' wide. Prune after fruiting.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 5-9; Perennial
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. In spring and summer, the leaves are shiny dark green above and gray-green below, turning to burgundy in fall and winter. Disease-resistant to rust.
- **Flowers:** Blooming in April and setting fruit by June, this is an early-season variety. This summer-bearing blackberry plant is known for its high yields of fruit that maintain quality long after harvest. Picking the fruit is easy with thornless and erect canes. The firm, sub-acid berries are perfect for fresh eating, canning, and making naturally sweet jellies and jams. Sweet-Ark™ Ponca is the sweetest cultivar released to date.

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