BLUEBERRIES

DID YOU KNOW?

Blueberries were originally called “star berries.” The bottom of the berry forms a perfect five-pointed star.

Georgia blueberries are grown primarily in the southeastern region of the state in a 12-15 county area surrounding Alma and Baxley.

July is national blueberry month!

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Georgi a ranks fifth in the nation in blueberry production.

Blueberries are one of the few fruits native to North America.

Harvest season for blueberries is mid-April through July.

BLUEBERRIES
— FRESH AND HEALTHY —

Blueberries are a delicious, convenient and healthy treat. They are easy to grab for a quick snack or a great addition to any meal. Blueberries are ready when you are, so add them to your next dish and make it FRESH, FAST, AND HEALTHY!

Best Time to Buy:
May - September

Blueberries Benefit U!
- Low in calories & fat
- Sodium & cholesterol free
- High in antioxidants
- Good source of vitamin C & fiber

1 cup = 100 calories

Add Color to Your Meal
- Top a bowl of cereal
- Stir into pancake or waffle batter
- Toss into a summer salad
- Sprinkle on yogurt or ice cream
- Add to banana pudding
- Just pop them in your mouth!
Yogurt Crunch Parfaits

3 Tbsp fresh or frozen blueberries
4 oz lemon low-fat yogurt
1 Tbsp crushed breakfast cereal

1. Spoon blueberries into cup.
2. Top with yogurt.
3. Sprinkle with cereal.
4. Serve immediately.

**Nutrition Facts**

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**Selection**

Choose plump & firm blueberries with a dark blue color. Blueberries do not ripen after they are picked.

**Storage**

Handle with care. Store loosely covered in the original container or a covered bowl in the refrigerator for 10 to 14 days. Do not wash blueberries until you are ready to serve.

**Preparation**

Wash gently in cold water, then drain well in a colander or on paper towels.

**Preservation**

Blueberries are easy to freeze. Make sure they are completely dry. Washing results in a tougher skinned product.

Place a single layer of blueberries on a tray in the freezer. When frozen, promptly package the berries in a moisture-vapor resistant container, leaving 1/2-inch headspace and return to the freezer.