







Raspberry cultivation

Significance of cultivation

Excellent fruits for direct consumption

Top-quality fruits for production of syrups, juices, jams, and fruit salads

Requirements on environment Soil: Rich in nutrients and humus, loamy to loamy-sandy, slightly acidic, pH 5.6-6.5 Intolerant to heavy, clay, water-logged soil Annual precipitation: 700 mm, sunny locations High requirements on organic matter in soil

Cultivation technologies

Strip plantings with supports Planting spacing in relation to mechanization, special mechanization: 2.0-2.5 m row spacing, common mechanization: 3.0-3.5 m Natural, strip, freely growing planting of erect varieties without support Simple wire support; wires are stretched along poles at 1.0-1.2 m, 4-6 m apart; shoots are tied along, fruits mature better, and harvest is easier Double wire support: Two wires are installed at 1.0-1.2 m, 0.4 m apart to outline space for the growth, and to tie the shoots

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Two-year method: Spacing 2.0-0.35 m, land is divided into 2 sections, one section produces fruits; all shoots are cut in the autumn, harvest in the upcoming year

Planting and treatment

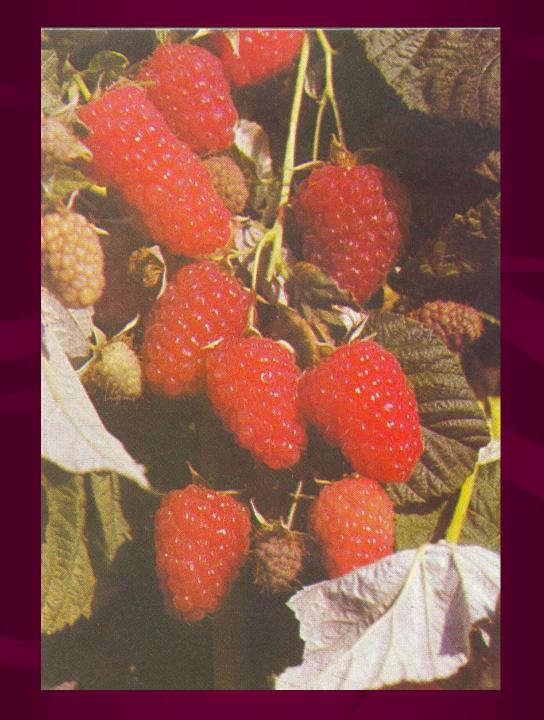
Plant in the autumn; optimum planting: from soil to soil, deeper planting, reduce above-ground part to 0.15 m First year: Soil disintegration, irrigation, soil mulching (reduces vapour, provides humus), nutrition for older plantings

5-10 mowing sessions per growing season in the grassed inter-rows

After harvest, remove unproductive, weak shoots growing in the inter-rows Supply most water during growing, blooming, emergence and maturing of fruits, lack of irrigation reduces yield to a half Fertilize with organic manure every 3 years; 3 doses of nitrogen fertilizers: early in spring, mid-May and after harvest Harvest Technological maturity, manual picking, early morning, twice a week for 4 weeks Yield: 7-9 tons per ha







Blackberry cultivation

Significance of cultivation

Excellent fruit for direct consumption, processing industry and pharmaceutical industry

Requirements on environment
No special requirements on soil and environment
Prefers neutral to slightly alkali soil
Airy, sunny locations

Cultivation technologies

Strip plantings with supports

Planting and treatment
Soil treatment, planting and planting time is similar to raspberries
Support is a must, poles 4-6 m apart, 3 wires at 0.6, 1.2 and 1.8 m, shoots are either intertwined or tied, annual shoot length: 3-5 m, fruit production on last year shoots
Doses, time and dates of fertilization and additional fertilization are similar to raspberries

Harvest

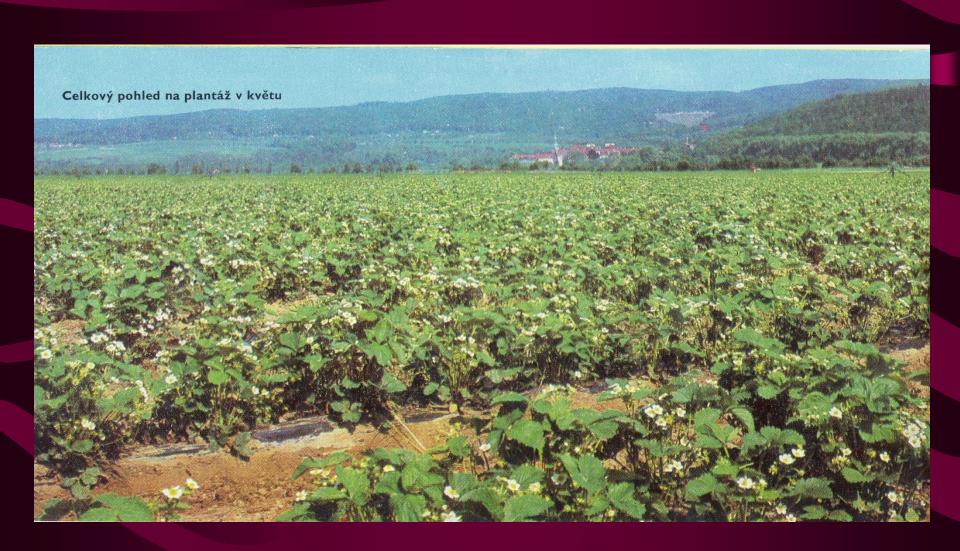
4 week in Aug/Sep for one-off fruiting blackberry Less-prone to over-ripening, once a week is enough Yield: 9-15 tons per ha

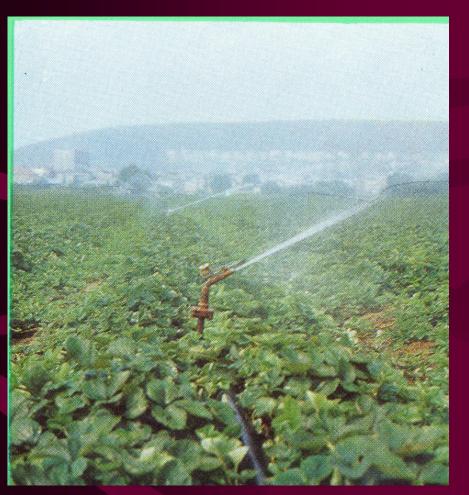


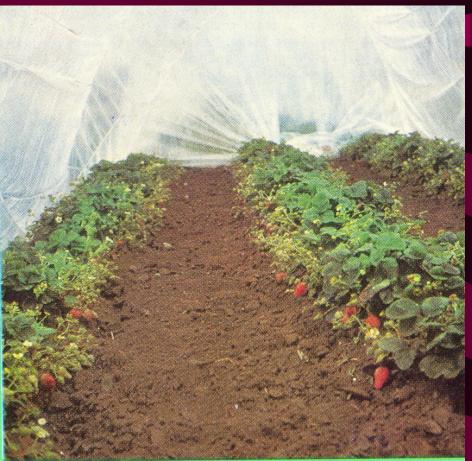


Strawberry cultivation

Significance of cultivation
First fruit in the spring for direct consumption
Commodity for cooling and processing industry
Source of vit. C and other substances
Valued for specific aromas and flavour







Requirements on environment

Adaptable to various climates and soils
Tolerates up to 500 m altitudes
Benefits from average temperature of 6-10 °C and annual precipitation 600-700 mm, evenly distributed
Heat-retaining soil, rich in humus, pH 5.5-6.5

Cultivation technologies

One-row plantings with 0.9 x 0.3-0.4 m spacing (mechanization)

Dense rows: Plants form a compact row of new plants from their own stolons; good for thin-foliage varieties, weed-free land

Two-row plantings, warm and sunny regions, triangle-shaped plantings

Ridge-style growth, water-logged soil

Bed-style growth, similar to strip planting, strip width: 0.8-1.2 m

Non-woven fabrics: Accelerates growth and ripening, eliminates night temperature drops; fabrics layed in spring, removed at the onset of blooming

Conventional multi-year crop (at least 3 years), savings of planting material, high yield, production of fruits of worse quality

Two-year old crop, more expenditure for planting, more fruits of excellent quality

One-year old crop, planted every year, lots of seedlings, excellent fruits quality

Planting and treatment

Preceding crop is important especially for early and summer plantings (early root and tuber crops, legumes)

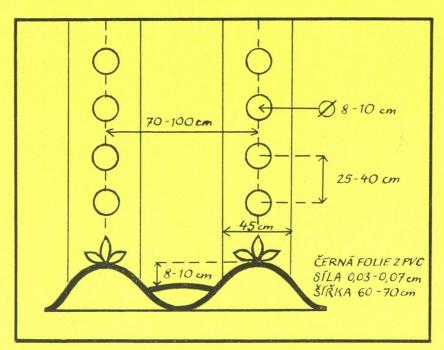
Apply industrial fertilizers and herbicides before planting

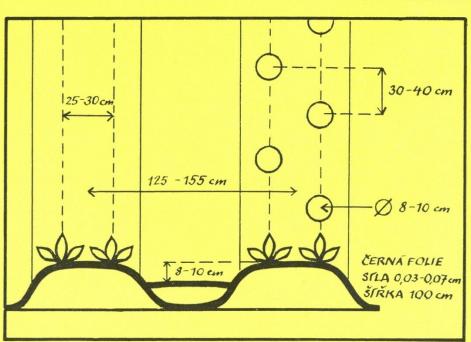
Soak seedlings before planting: 0.3 % Previour, 0.1 % Fundazol

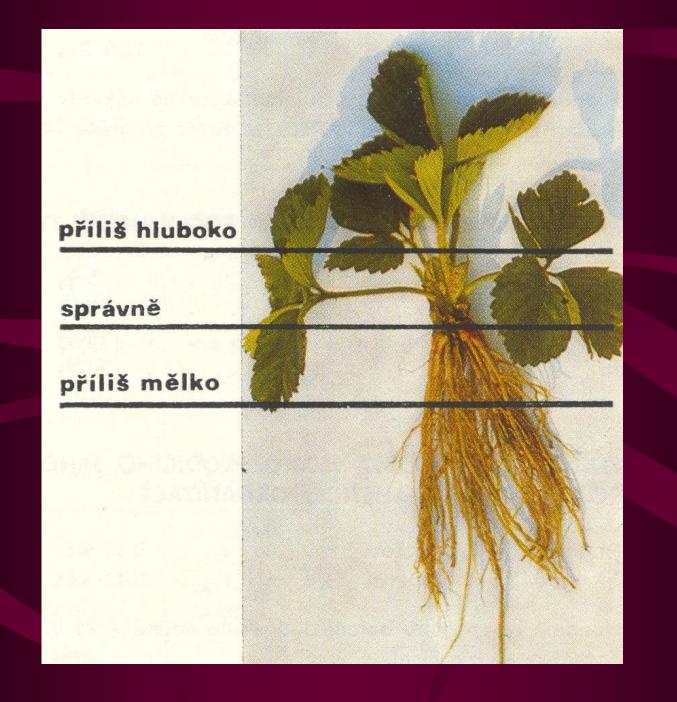
Irrigate right after planting - 95 % of planting is successful

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Frigo plants, selection of varieties according to type of cultivation

Remove dry leaves in spring before sprouting, apply fertilizers (calcium nitrate: 1.5-2 q.ha-1)

Fertilization of young plantings – pure nutrients 40 kg N, 50 kg P, 80 kg K
Fertilization of productive plantings: 100 kg N, 70 kg P, 170 kg K (dosing: 1/2 in early spring, 1/4 before blooming, 1/4 after harvest)

Protection against fungi diseases

Harvest

Manual picking, even rotten fruits in rainy weather

Chipwood baskets, twice a week Yield: 9-15 tons per ha







