

# Niwot Double-Cropping Black Raspberry

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# Niwot Black Raspberry (US PPAF)



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# Niwot Double Cropping

- Floricane crop very productive
  - One week earlier than Jewel
  - More productive than Jewel, longer season
  - Berries slightly smaller than Jewel
- Primocane crop starts late August or early September
  - Berries comparable to or larger than Jewel
- Plants more vigorous than Jewel
  - Consider 3-foot to 5-foot in-row spacing

# Berry Comparisons vs. Jewel



Floricane Berries

7/9/13



Primocane Berries

9/17/13



# Niwot Pruning Options

## ■ Retain floricanes?

- ❑ Impressive floricanes crop
- ❑ Potentially earlier primocane berry ripening without floricanes
- ❑ Recommend: Try both

## ■ Tip prune primocanes?

- ❑ Tip pruning to increase fruiting branches & spread out production
- ❑ Earlier primocane crop without tip pruning
- ❑ Recommend: Try both

(Web search on: Pete Tallman raspberry pruning)



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# Hardiness, Disease Resistance

- Niwot Hardy for zone 5 Longmont, CO
  - Better hardiness than Jewel
- Little or no disease pressure in Colorado
  - Asking for observations
- One report of zone 3 hardiness in Minnesota
  - but... season too short
  - Choose floricanne crop or primocane crop?
  - Recommend Pequot instead

# Niwot Availability

See Nourse Farms spring 2015 catalog

