

Discover the Vineyard

The Vineyard has 24 varieties of table grapes. Most are American cultivars of the species *Vitis labrusca*, and a few are of European stock (*Vitis vinifera*). Most of the grapevines are more than 30 years old. Master Gardeners are in the process of developing new vines from shoots of the original parent plants.

Look for:

- White seedless varieties: 'Himrod', 'Marquis', 'Romulus', and 'Remaily'
- Red seedless varieties: 'Ruby', 'Einset', 'Saturn', 'Canadis', 'Suffolk Red' and 'Reliance'
- Blue/black seedless varieties: 'Beauty', 'Fantasy', 'Venus', 'Glenora', 'Concord' (purple), 'Black Emerald', 'Black Monukka' and 'Mars'
- 'Interlaken' is a green seedless grape used for raisins
- 'Lakemont' is a white seedless grape used for wine

Garden Tips:

- Frame vines between wooden T-posts to support wires that keep shoots suspended off the ground.
- Create a balance of airflow and sunlight in order to achieve dappled sun on the grapes. This will provide enough sun but not so much direct exposure that can burn young berries in hot weather.
- Use of organic copper sulfate solutions can be used as alternative to pesticides to control powdery mildew, a fungus that can establish itself in a vineyard particularly if there is too much moisture.

