

Grapes

Grapevines are beneficial for fruit production and aesthetic beauty

Sun exposure: For fruit production, full sun is best.

Soil: Well-drained soil in the pH range of 5.5-6.5,

Planting: One grapevine can provide plenty of fruit but it is recommended to plant two together on a trellis. Vines can be planted as soon as soil can be worked. Prepare the site for planting by installing a trellis or some type of structure to provide support for the vines. Plant vines at the base of the support holes 18" wide by 12" deep. Trim away any unhealthy looking roots or canes from the plant, then place into the hole, making sure to spread out the roots, making certain the vine is at the same depth as it was in the pot. Backfill with soil and compost pressing firmly at the base.

Fertilizing: Fertilize with a 10-10-10 balanced fertilizer in spring when the first shoots appear.

Watering: Water daily for two weeks, then once a week as needed.

Harvesting: Be patient - it takes four to five years to reach top production.