



## 'Canadice': A New Seedless Red Grape

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In the largest grape belt in the East, 'Canadice' is the only commercial seedless cultivar of dessert table grapes, as reported to the New York Fruit Testing Association at the Agricultural Experiment Station, Geneva, New York in September 1977.

Since 1919, I have tested all of the seedless grapes developed there. John Einset actually bred 'Canadice' from 'Bath' x 'Himrod' in 1954. I am very interested in finding better fruit varieties. The New York Experiment Station gives me cutting wood and I early discovered how outstanding this new cultivar promises to be.

Although 'Himrod' is sweet flavored, the bunches are loose and should be

treated with Alar or Gibberellic acid to be attractive. 'Canadice' does not require this treatment.

'Canadice' looks and tastes like the 'Delaware' sweet red grape, but the bunches are  $\frac{1}{3}$  larger. It is very productive even when frost damages much of the grape crop. 'Canadice' also keeps well on the vine so that we can use it at our roadside market for a long while.

Bird damage has been costly, but 16' plastic net has alleviated that problem.

People enjoy eating these grapes so much that we never have enough for our customers.

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