

ovate, greenish-yellow berries with light bloom. Texture is tender, medium firm with a rich, muscat flavour. Maturity is earlier than Muscat Alexandria and it is the first suitable export variety to ripen. Mature fruit of Muscat Alexandria may be distinguished from Muscat Cannon Hall by smaller, more greenish appearing, obovoid berries with sparse bloom and a stronger, more pronounced muscat flavour.

Nyora. This variety was introduced in 1963 by the Division of Horticulture, New South Wales Department of Agriculture. Nyora, which in the language of the Australian aborigines means "native berry," originated from a cross of Ohanez x Purple Cornichon made in 1937 at the Yanco Research Station at Yanco, New South Wales. This variety has the distinction of being the first to be named and introduced from an Australian experi-

ment station grape breeding program. Clusters are large, moderately loose and tapering with medium large, ovate, jet black berries having a heavy attractive bloom. Nyora is a late table variety similar in appearance and quality to Purple Cornichon. It appears to be an improvement over the latter in being less prone to shatter when packed, and in having less tendency toward flaccidity, and somewhat more attractive appearance.

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Sungold Nectarine for Northern Florida

A new nectarine, 'Sungold', has recently been introduced by the Florida Agr. Exp. Station. It is freestone when ripe, yellow-fleshed, and of excellent dessert quality. Sungold is about 2 inches in diameter, with a very short beak, is very attractive, with a bright red blush covering 80 to 100 percent of the fruit. It ripens in June or July in northern Florida. Its flowers appear to be rather resistant to cold in the spring. Sungold requires moderate to heavy thinning, and the fruit seem to have considerable resistance to brown rot.

Sungold was selected at the Quincy Experiment Station from seedlings grown from seed obtained from Rutgers University. This seed was a product of a cross made from an unnamed Rutgers selection and pollen obtained from a hybrid developed by Ralph Sharpe at the Florida Agr. Exp. Station, Gainesville. About 200 Sungold trees have been evaluated in grower and Experiment Station trials since 1966.

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Fig. 5. Nyora, an attractive, black grape of Australian origin.