



THE TECHNOLOGY

Aptly named, the Prelude red raspberry starts the harvest season, ripening in late June and early July. This early fruiting gives growers the advantages of premium first fruit prices and season extension. A hardy and vigorous plant, Prelude consistently produces high quality fruit. Prelude berries are round, firm, and attractive, with a mild pleasant flavor. Prelude is ideally suited to be first-to-market for U-Pick and farm market operations.

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THE PRODUCT

Prelude Red Raspberry

Released by the New York State Agricultural Experiment Station in Geneva, Prelude is identified as the earliest ripening summer red raspberry, beginning in mid-June under New York conditions. Although Prelude is also fall bearing, it produces the biggest portion of its crop in the spring. Prelude berries are very winter hardy and vigorous. They are round-conic shaped with good flavor. Prelude is an excellent choice when early fruit and quality are required.