LUCIOUS LANDSCAPING WITH FRUITS
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Reference Books by Lee Reich:
Landscaping with Fruit
Uncommon Fruits for Every Garden

THE IDEAL LUCIOUS LANDSCAPE FRUITING PLANT
- Little or No Pruning Needed
- No Excessive Fruit Drop
- Pest Resistant (so no spraying needed and looks good all season)

Note: Ideally Most Fruits Need 6 Hours or More of Full Sun
  Know When Pests Would Be Active & How to Deal With Them

SOME FRUIT PLANTS FOR SPECIAL LANDSCAPE USES:
Hedge:  Nanking Cherry (Blooms around 04/15)
  Need Minimum of Two
Arbor:  Grape
Shrubs:  Nannyberry (Viburnum lentago)
  Large, Not So Desirable Fruit
  Seaberry (Hyppophae rhamnoides)
  Grey Feathery With Thorns
  Nice to Juice With Passionfruit-like Taste
  Hard to Pick
Small Specimen Tree:  Quince (Cydonia oblongata)
  Plant In Place Of Japanese Maple
  Small Tree, Fruit Is Good For Cooking
Potted Plants:  Fig, Apples, Citrus
Groundcover:  Cranberry (Vaccinium macrocarpon)
  Requires very Acidic Soil, Hummus & Moisture
  Good Companion Plant: Lowbush Blueberry
Allee:  Apple, Pear
Plants for Special Decorative Interest:
- Bark:  Persimmon, Hackberry (Celtis occidentalis)
- **Evergreens**: Korean Pine (Pinus koreansis)

- **Fall Coloration of Leaves**: Medlar (Mespilus germanica)  
  Gets 8 Feet High, Self-Pollinating, No Pruning  
  Disease Resistant, Bears Fall Fruit  
  Needs to Finish Ripening Until Inside Is Like Brown Mush  
  Tastes Like Applesauce  
  Very Popular in the Middle Ages

- **Flowers**: Maypop (Passiflora incarnata)  
  Species of Passionflower  
  Seeds are Edible, Tastes like Hawaiian Punch  
  Mulch to Insulate in Winter, Will Come Up in June  
  Has Runners

- **Fruit**: Gumi (Eleagnus multiflora)  
  Tart (Ripens in July)  
  Not Invasive, No Pruning

**SOME ATTRACTIVE FRUITING PLANTS**
Elderberry (Sambucus Canadensis)  
  Late Spring Flower, Good Medicinal Plant  
  New Fruit Comes Off New Shoots  
  Pruning Prevents It From Getting Too High  
Highbush Cranberry (Viburnum trilobum)  
Oregon Grape Holly (Mahonia aquifolium)  
Rosa Rugosa  
Cornelian Cherry (Comus mas) - Tart Cherry

**THE BEST OF LUSCIOUS LANDSCAPE FRUITS**
Highbush BlueBerry (Vaccinium corymbosum)  
  Make Ornamental Enclosure to Protect From Birds  
  Very Acidic Soil Between 4-5  
  Do Soil Test Before Planting  
  Use Pelletized Sulphur (OG)  
  Requires High Humus, Not Compost, Add Peatmoss  
  Mulch 3 Inches Deep with Wood Shavings & Pine Needles
Throughout The Life of Plant
One Inch of Watering Per Week
Use Soybean Fertilizer in Fall then Mulch
Fruit is Better in Full Sun IF It Has Adequate Moisture

Lowbush Blueberry (Vaccinium angustifolium)
- Blooms Off New Growth
Lingonberry (Vaccinium vitis-idaea)
- Two Crops (Summer & Fall)
  - Nicer Flavor than Cranberry
  - Visually Nice with Lowbush Blueberry (Fall Foliage)
  - Keep Soil High in Organic Matter
  - Birds Don’t Like It
Juneberry (Amelanchier spp.) – Nice Flavor
Nanking Cherry (Prunus tomentosa)
Alpine Strawberry (Fragaria vesca)
  - Can Start From Seed
  - Can Grow In Pots Inside or Outside
  - Recommend Growing White Variety
Pawpaw (Asimina triloba) – Nice Flavor like Crème Brulee
Persimmon (Diospyros virginiana) – Szukis Persimmon
Kiwifruit (Actinidia arguta, kolomikta)
Clove Currant (Ribes odoratum)
  - Beautiful Spring Flower and Very Fragrant
  - Can Take Harsh Elements
  - Needs Good Pruning

SOME NURSERY SOURCES
Burnt Ridge Nursery, www.burntridgenursery.com
Nourse Farms, www.norsefarms.com
One Green World, www.onegreenworld.com
Raintree Nursery, www.raintreenursery.com
St. Lawrence Nurseries, www.sln.potsdam.ny.us/
Tripple Brook Farm, www.tripplebrookfarm.com