Muscadine Grapes

Today on Gardening in a Minute: muscadine grapes.

Muscadine grapes are tasty native plants that can be grown easily in most areas of Florida.

Muscadines are harvested as single berries instead of in bunches and have thicker-skinned fruit than bunch-type grapes. They have very few insect or disease problems.

These grapes are adapted to Florida’s sandy soils, and are usually planted in late winter or early spring, but container-grown plants can be planted at anytime.

Muscadine grapes are a vining crop that will need a support, such as a trellis, fence, or arbor, and they require some pruning.

Your grapes will mature in August or early September, and they should be picked from the vine and stored in a cool place if not used right away.

Use your delicious Florida grapes in jellies, jams, or make some great wine!

For more information about muscadine grapes and many other gardening topics, contact your county Extension office or visit Gardening in a Minute dot com.

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