

# HONEY VARIETALS

## Blueberry



Taken from the tiny white flowers of the blueberry bush, the nectar makes a honey that is fruity and luscious. Many people believe that Blueberry honey is honey to which Blueberry flavor is added; this is not so. It is rich in pollen, so thick it will not fall off of a PB and Honey sandwich and has been known to help people with allergies.

## Fireweed



Fireweed honey is very light in color and comes from a summer blooming perennial that is the first plant to grow after a forest has been clear cut. Fireweed grows in the open woods and on the sides of roads, reaching a height of three to five feet and has profuse fuchsia colored blooms. It is delightfully sweet, and wonderful in dessert applications.

## Blackberry



Blackberry is the number one nectar source for bees in our area. It is very smooth in texture, delightfully sweet and mild tasting with a spicy finish. Fruity and floral at the same time, it is what we remember from our childhood as being the taste of honey. Often used drizzled over yogurt.

## Big Leaf Maple



Maple honey comes from the Big Leaf Maple trees that we have in Woodinville. Maple is not the flavor of Maple syrup but a taste of its own. It has a distinctive taste that some describe as a licorice or mint, with a eucalyptus finish. It is light amber in color. The bees are only able to make this honey when March and April have been dry. The supply of Maple honey is limited because our rainy springs. It's a favorite for tea.

## Knotweed



Japanese Knotweed honey is a late summer crop. The plant is related to the Buckwheat plant. The honey produced from Knotweed is dark, sweet and has a slight caramel or molasses like flavor. It is excellent served drizzled on granola or used in baking.

## Wildflower



Wildflower honey comes from a mixture of plants in our area. Bees will search for one nectar source and when that is dried up they move on storing the next nectar near the first. When this happens some interesting combinations of varieties occur. This honey is unique as no batch is ever quite the same flavor.

