

Red Currants.

Red currants bear fruit on spurs on wood that is at least two years old, never on young wood. The correct method of training and pruning is to lead up main branches as described for gooseberries, and prune all young growth back to spurs about $\frac{1}{4}$ in. long. An open centre should be maintained, so that the sun may shine on every part, otherwise the spurs on the lower part will become barren. Of course, fruit will be produced if the bush is allowed to grow more or less wild with no systematic or correct pruning. The fruit, however, will soon be borne only on the upper and outward parts of the bush, and this will be neither satisfactory nor profitable.

Black Currants.

The black currant bears fruit on the young wood and also on spurs on the old wood. In former times the training and pruning practised was the same as for red currants. The borer trouble has caused a revision of methods, and the present practice is to look to young wood to produce the greater bulk of the crop. When the cuttings are made all the buds are left on; this causes shoots to break up from below the surface—gives the bush, in fact, what is termed a stooling habit. If a branch gets borers in it, it can be cut down, and a new one takes its place. Cutting down a branch causes the sending-up of new shoots, and so the stooling habit continues. The main branches are allowed to take any position they happen to come in, a hollow-centred bush not being wanted. Pruning consists in the removal of any kind of wood to prevent undue crowding, and just tipping the young shoots to remove the portion that is not thoroughly ripened.

—W. H. Taylor, *Horticulturist.*

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