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Blue Elderberry

Sambucus cerulea
Honeysuckle Family



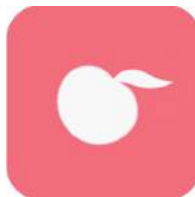
JUN-JUL



W 6'-10'



H 12'-18'



- Berries are used to make wine, jam, syrup, and pies
- Only blue or purple berries of the elderberry are edible; red berries of other species are toxic
- Native Americans bored out the soft pith from twigs to make flutes
- Used as an antiseptic and a diuretic, removes toxins, and treats burns