# ‘Caddo’ Thornless Blackberry

## Ripening date:
- Mid-season floricane cultivar
- First harvest 2 days after ‘Natchez’ and 2 days before ‘Osage’

## Berry weight:
- 8 g on average
- 2 g larger than ‘Osage’ and 2 g smaller than ‘Natchez’

## Yield:
- Comparable to ‘Osage’ and ‘Ouachita’
- Averages 19,000 lb/acre in research plantings

## Flavor:
- Flavor consistent, sweet, aromatic
- Similar to half-sib ‘Osage’
- Average SSC 10.5% and TA 1%

## Postharvest:
- Comparable to ‘Ouachita’ and ‘Osage’ for red drupelet reversion, leakage, and firmness
- Flavor retained after 7 days of storage

## Plants:
- Consistently healthy floricane leaves
- No orange rust, anthracnose, or cane/leaf rust seen in research trials
- Winter hardiness comparable to ‘Ouachita’
- Very limited winter injury to a low of 1 °F
- Chilling requirement unknown, but anticipated ~300 hours

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**A new floricane-fruiting, erect, thornless blackberry with large and flavorful berries**

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