

### Opportunity of Chinese Market

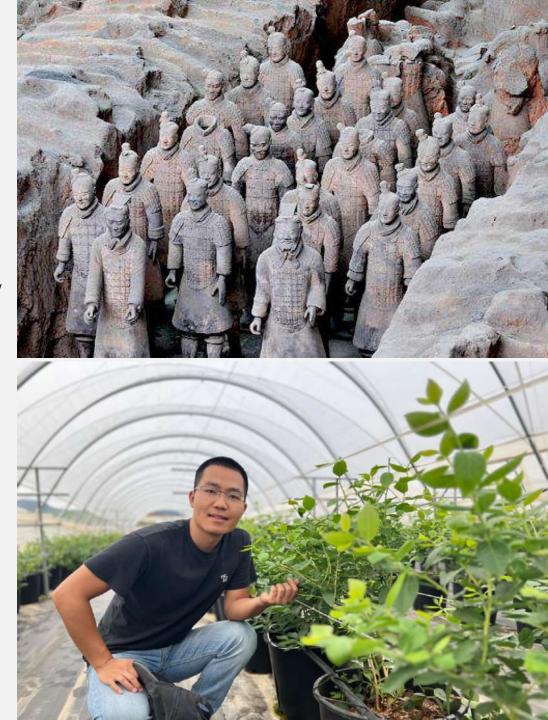
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#### **Introduction**

- Huan Zhang Twinkle Star Berry Consulting
- Xi'an, China
- Berry in Washington State, USA
- Yunnan, China







### Strawberry



### Caneberries



Blueberry



Morocco to China

#### **STRAWBERRY**

- The most popular berry
- 140,000 ha
- 4,000,000 tons
- Japanese/Korean/Chinese genetics
- Fruit characteristics
  - Sweet
  - Aromatic
  - Color
  - Low yield
  - Poor for travel
- Grown locally
- November to May harvest

**Not the Moment** 





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#### **Caneberries**

- 'Only Driscoll's'
- Raspberry and blackberries
  - Several hundred of ha
  - Raspberry color preference: pink red
  - Consumers prefer good blackberry over good raspberry
  - High return to growers with good blackberry
- Relatively stable price throughout the year
- Diversification



#### **Grow Locally**

#### **BLUEBERRY**

- 1980s
- **41**
- All year around
- Concentrated from May to July

#### 2023 Top 10 Cultivated Hectares by Country

#	Country	2020 Hectares	2021 Hectares	2022 Hectares	2023 Hectares
1	China	66,400	71,781	77,641	84,420
2	United States	42,219	43,214	42,084	46,709
3	Peru	15,406	18,381	19,500	20,000
4	Chile	18,185	18,802	18,375	18,071
5	Poland	9,500	11,000	11,913	12,594
6	Canada	11,696	12,364	12,034	12,461
7	Mexico	7,900	9,100	11,400	11,970
8	Ukraine	4,383	5,318	5,500	5,700
9	Spain	4,210	4,570	4,810	5,496
10	Morocco	2,850	3,136	3,800	4,300

#### 2023 Top 10 Cultivated Production by Country (000) MT

#	Country	2020 Production	2021 Production	2022 Production	2023 Production
1	China	347.20	468.22	525.31	563.46
2	United States	282.64	328.18	278.19	282.82
3	Peru	179.58	261.73	299.67	233.87
4	Chile	195.76	185.44	166.35	132.33
5	Spain	55.66	73.94	69.19	70.86
6	Mexico	57.67	74.20	75.87	67.32
7	Canada	82.42	80.32	76.16	63.24
8	Poland	54.10	55.50	68.50	62.00
9	Morocco	35.96	47.21	56.50	56.06
10	South Africa	15.80	26.00	30.50	35.00

Sources: IBO

#### **Production Systems**

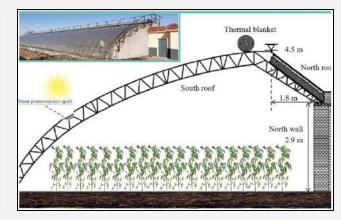
Open field

High tunnel

Solar greenhouse









Blueberry
Who are your Customers?
Current Import Information
Unique Channels
Quality
Labels/Brands

Yunnan Region: Collaborator and Competitor?

#### **Consumers**

'Picky' customers

Willing to pay high price

Market 'sinks' to lower-tier regions: Potential for more consumption

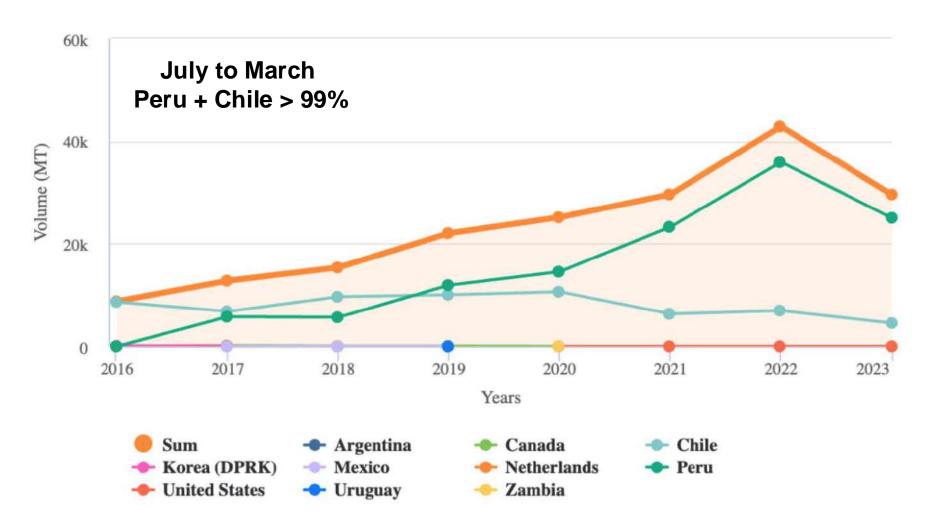
12 Sep OZblu® Blueberries Set a New Price Record in the World's Most Discerning Market

\$34/kg!!!!



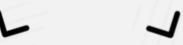
Photo credit: Ozblu; Produce Report

#### **Current Chinese Imports (tons)**



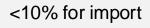








Shanghai Guangzhou





Joy Wing Mau Riverking Jun Li









Costo Hippo Fresh



High-end Affordable



TikTok Alibaba

#### **E-Commerce**

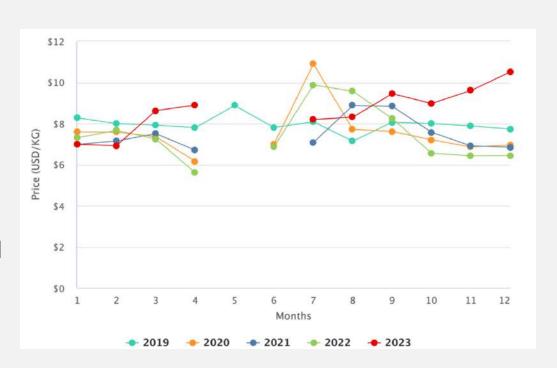




## 500 million users 24% Sale

#### **Price History of Fresh Import**

- Roller coaster
- Peak sales: scarcity and festivals
  - August to October
  - December to February
- Sekoya Pop, Bianca, Magica and Eureka Sunrise/Gold



# When is the best time for Moroccan berries? <u>December to February</u>







## Quality

Size, Sweet, Firmness, Bloom and Flavor







#### **Labels/Brands**















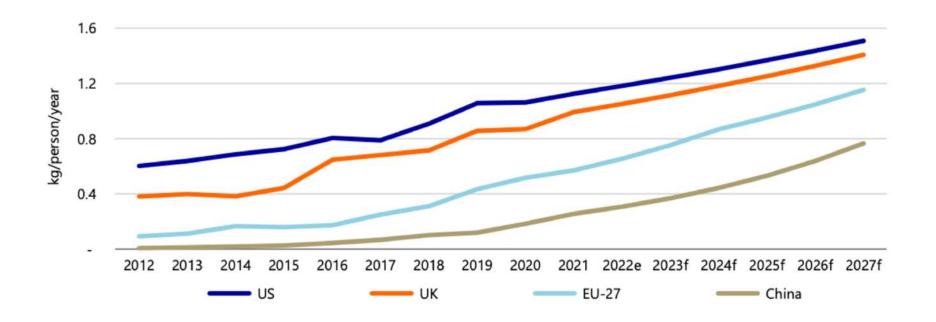




#### **YUNNAN PROVINCE**

A Collaborator and A Competitor

#### **Forecast Blueberry Consumption**



**China Doubles Consumption in 3 Years** 

Sources: Trade Map, USDA, Rabobank Estimates 2022



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