**Venus**

**Type and Color** - Seedless table grape; blue.

**Date of Release** - 1977; not patented.

**Berry Flavor** - Combination of *V. labrusca* and muscat; 16 percent soluble solids.

**Berry Size** - Medium, 3 grams.

**Berry Texture** - Slipskin; skin thickness similar to many eastern table grapes.

**Cluster Size** - Medium-large, 250 grams average.

**Yield** - Moderate to high, 8 to 10 tons/acre in research trials.

**Maturity Date** - Early, approximately July 19 at Clarksville, Arkansas, the earliest ripening of the Arkansas varieties.

**Hardiness** - Moderately hardy, and no hardiness limitations have been observed in numerous years of production in Arkansas.

**Comments** - Medium vigor; resistant to fruit cracking; moderate resistance to common fungal diseases but does require fungicide sprays for successful production; seed traces often noticeable.