

## Pollinating Pineberry Plants

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Last year I got poor results with my Pineberries, and I think that pollination may have been part of the problem. It looks like the same problem may be happening again this year - the lack of insects/breeze in the greenhouse is likely to be to blame.

Pineberries are like Strawberries - they are self-fertile. The Pineberry flower contains the reproductive system of the plant. They will usually pollinate themselves but normally need help from the wind, or bees etc. Have a look at the picture below - pollination occurs when pollen is transferred from the stamens, which are the male parts of the flowers, to the stigma (centre), which is the female, receptive part of the anatomy.

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