

# Orchard Calendar

\*estimated dates for the  
Southern Hemisphere. Any  
year.



# How does this Calendar Work?

- This calendar is intended as a rough guideline for farmers/ fruit growers farming in the Southern Hemisphere.
- We have marked the likely beginning/earliest dates for each cultivars development for reference purposes, but please be aware that bloom and harvest dates can change depending on weather, and location so do not rely solely on this calendar. Keep an eye on your orchards at all times and rely on your own judgement.
- You might notice that this calendar does not come with a specified year, we've designed it to be reused each year, but you can use the top row on each page to mark the day of the week that coincides with the dates of that year if you would prefer.
- For convenience we have listed the start of the season's on the 1st day of the month. This is because they are actually determined by the equinoxes/solstices which vary based on the actual longest day/night of the year

\*We cannot and do not guarantee the accuracy of this calendar, as seasonal changes may cause it to be inaccurate.

# January

1 Almond hull split begins Cape/Kaapse brown, Evita fig harvest	2 Flavortop Nectarine harvest Goudmyn, Keisie Peach harvest	3 Prof Neethling, Sandvliet, Sunsweet Peach harvest	4 Fortune, Harry Pickstone Plum harvest	5 Van der Merwe Prune harvest	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15 Bon Cheretin Pear harvest	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 Nonpareil almond harvest Adams Fig harvest Hannepoot Grape harvest	23 Elberta, Supreme Peach harvest Rosemarie Pear harvest	24 Laetitia Plum harvest	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	 <p><b>Vredehoek Kwekery &amp; Vredehoek Bees</b>  gertvandeventer@r62mail.co.za  Vredehoek Farm. Rietvlei Number 1, Montagu, 6720.  072 5980 176  023 614 1617</p>			

# February

1 Ne Plus, Peerless, Volcani 5 almond harvest Fuerte Avo harvest (to Aug)	2 White Genoa fig harvest Red Globe, Sultana grape harvest	3 Packham's triumph pear harvest Songold Plum harvest	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15 Texas Mission almond harvest Kakamas Peach harvest	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 Early Red One, Golden Delicious apple harvest Crimson Grapes harvest	23 African Delight Plum harvest	24	25	26	27	28
29 (Leap years only)				<b>Vredehoek Kwekery &amp; Vredehoek Bees</b> gertvandeenter@r62mail.co.za Vredehoek Farm. Rietvlei Number 1, Montagu, 6720. 072 5980 176 023 614 1617		

# March

<b>1</b> ORDER NEW FRUIT TREES AUTUMN BEGINS	<b>2</b> Fairtime Peach harvest Portugal Quince harvest	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b> Granny Smith apple harvest	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
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# April

1 Pinkerton avo harvest (till July) Wonderful Pomegranates harvest	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 DEADLINE FOR ORDERING MADE TO ORDER GRAFTS			<b>Vredehoek Kwekery &amp; Vredehoek Bees</b> gertvandeventer@r62mail.co.za Vredehoek Farm. Rietvlei Number 1, Montagu, 6720. 072 5980 176 023 614 1617		

# May

1 Hass avo harvest (till Oct)	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15 Granny Smith apple harvest	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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# June

<b>1</b> WINTER BEGINS PREPARE FOR PLANTING	<b>2</b> PRUNE TREES (wait for early August for colder regions of SA)	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
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# July

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 Alpine Nectarine Blooms	23	24	25	26	27	28
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# August

1 Goudmyn Peach blooms	2 Ruby Sun Plum blooms	3	4	5	6	7
8 Ne Plus, Nonpareil, Peerless & Volcani 5 almonds bloom	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 Texas Mission almond blooms Cape Bebeco, Bulida, Charisma apricots bloom	23 Palsteyn, Soldonne, Sunshine apricots bloom Keisie, oom sarel Peach blooms	24	25	26	27	28
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# September

1 Royal, Super Gold apricot blooms Fuerte Avos bloom <b>SPRING BEGINS</b>	2 Adams fig blooms Flavortop, May Glo Nectarine blooms Boland Peach blooms	3 African Delight, Fortune, Santa Rosa plum blooms	4 Van der merwe prune blooms	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 Pinkerton avo blooms Fairtime, kakamas peaches bloom	23 Early Bon Cheretin, Packham's triumph pear blooms	24 Laetitia, songold plums bloom	25	26	27	28
29	30			<b>Vredehoek Kwekery &amp; Vredehoek Bees</b> gertvandeenter@r62mail.co.za Vredehoek Farm. Rietvlei Number 1, Montagu, 6720. 072 5980 176 023 614 1617		

# October

1 Golden Delicious, Granny Smith apple blooms	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15 Early Red One apple blooms Bon Cheretin, Rosemarie pear blooms	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 De Wet Peach harvest	23	24	25	26	27	28
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# November

1 Super Gold apricot harvest San Pedro peach harvest	2 Methley Plum harvest	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15 Alpine, May Glo Nectarine Harvest	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 Bulida, Charisma, Palsteyn, Soldonne, Sunshine apricot harvest	23 Culemborg, Prof Malherbe, Safari, Snow white peaches harvest	24	25	26	27	28
29	30			<b>Vredehoek Kwekery &amp; Vredehoek Bees</b> gertvandeventer@r62mail.co.za Vredehoek Farm. Rietvlei Number 1, Montagu, 6720. 072 5980 176 023 614 1617		

# December

1 Cape Bebeco apricot Harvest White Genoa fig harvest <b>SUMMER BEGINS</b>	2 Flame Grape harvest Oom Sarel Peach harvest	3 Red Beaute Plum harvest	4	5	6	7
8 Royal apricot harvest	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 Boland Peach, Van Riebeeck Harvest Early Bon Cheretin Pear harvest	23 Ruby Sun, Santa Rosa Plum harvest	24	25	26	27	28
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