Georgia Pecan Production Calender

January
Thin overcrowded orchards
Prune or train trees
Plant/Move Trees
Lime, zinc, phosphorous, and magnesium may be applied
Clean up limbs/debris
Service/Repair Equipment
Collect & store graftwood
Dig Trees
Plant nuts
Attend GPGA session at Georgia Fruit & Vegetable Growers Convention

February
Fertilize dryland orchards according to leaf and soil analysis
Apply potassium to dry and irrigated orchards
Lime, zinc, phosphorous, magnesium may be applied unless done previously
Thin overcrowded orchards
Prune/train trees
Plant/move trees
Service/Repair Equipment
Clean up limbs/debris
Collect & store graftwood
Whip graft
Plant nuts
Dig trees

March
Fertilize dryland orchards if not completed
Apply potassium to dry and irrigated orchards if not completed
Complete pruning, training, thinning, and planting
Plant nuts
Whip graft
Spring bud
Begin fungicide sprays at budbreak
Treat trees with history of phylloxera at budbreak
Attend SE Pecan Growers Association Annual Convention
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**April**
Make first application of N to irrigated orchards
Apply foliar zinc sprays beginning with 2nd fungicide application if needed
Apply nickel sprays to mouse ear affected trees at parachute stage
Apply herbicides
Continue fungicide sprays at 14 day intervals
Scout for insect pests and spray as needed
Irrigate as needed
Bark graft
Four flap graft

**May**
Continue foliar zinc sprays
Irrigate as needed
Continue fungicide sprays at 14 day intervals
Spray for pecan nut casebearer as scouting indicates need (usually around May 15)
Scout and spray for pests as needed
Keep orchard mowed (unless allowing clover to re-seed)
Attend GPGA Annual Convention (1st Thursday in May)

**June**
Examine June drop and determine cause (pollination or insect induced)
Irrigate as needed
Apply herbicide as needed
Fertilize 1st year trees exhibiting good growth
Make second nickel application for mouse ear affected trees as needed
Apply fungicide at 14 day intervals
(=close to 10 days during wet weather toward end of month)
Scout for yellow aphids and black aphids; spray as needed
Scout and spray for casebearer and hickory shuckworm as needed
Keep orchard mowed
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**July**
- Take leaf samples for nutrient analysis
- Soil samples may also be taken
- Irrigate as needed
- Patch bud beginning at end of month
- Apply herbicide as needed
- Apply fungicide at 14 day intervals
  - (close to 10 days during wet weather)
- Scout and spray for insect pests as needed
- Pay attention to mite populations, especially in hot, dry weather
- Keep orchard mowed
- Order trees for new planting

**August**
- Make 2nd N application if needed during “on” year (not needed with short crop)
- Irrigate as needed
- Be sure to maintain adequate soil moisture beginning in mid August as nuts begin to fill
- Keep orchard mowed
- Patch bud
- Apply fungicides at 14 day intervals
- Apply herbicide as needed
- Monitor for pecan weevil and hickory shuckworm
- Keep leaves free of aphids and mites
- Scout and spray as needed for insect pests
- Order trees for new planting

**September**
- Prepare for harvest by mowing orchard, remove debris, service equipment
- Be sure to maintain adequate soil moisture as nuts fill
- Patch bud
- Keep leaves free of aphids and mites
- Scout for pecan weevil and hickory shuckworm
- Scout and spray as needed for insect pests
- Fungicide sprays may be needed under heavy disease pressure
- Attend GPGA Fall Field Day (2nd Thursday in September)
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October
Prepare for harvest by mowing orchard, remove debris, service equipment
Make fall nickel application to severely deficient trees
Early harvesting may begin
Nuts may need mechanical drying
Market crop
Continue irrigation as needed
Lime, zinc, phosphorous, and magnesium may be applied
Prepare site for new planting
Apply herbicide as needed
Be aware of pre-harvest intervals for all chemicals applied

November
Harvest early for top quality and price
Don’t allow pecans to lie on ground for extended period of time
Market crop
Lime, zinc, phosphorous, and magnesium may be applied
Prepare site for new planting
Collect and stratify nuts for planting
Prevent damage to crop from nuisance wildlife

December
Continue harvest and marketing of crop if not complete
Prune/train trees
Lime, zinc, phosphorous, and magnesium may be applied
Remove debris
Plant trees
Service/repair equipment
Thin overcrowded orchards
Soil test
Dig nursery trees