

Weekly Mummy Berry Update

(4/11/2022 – 4/17/2022)



This weekly update provides information on the timing of apothecia (mushrooms) development from mummified overwintering berries in Washington's Skagit, Island, Snohomish, and Whatcom Counties.

The first table shows the percentages of floral and vegetative buds at different developmental stages and indicates when susceptible tissue is available on the plants. The second table shows the apothecial developmental stages from mummies and when ascospores are produced.

Development of mummies and host reflect conditions occurring in one field from each of the four counties that are currently being monitored. There may be differences in the stages of development in other blueberry fields in these same counties, in different counties, or for different blueberry cultivars.

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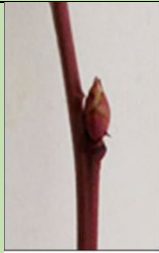

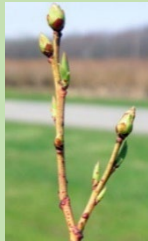
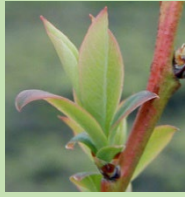
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County	Cultivar	Floral buds			Vegetative buds			
								
		Tight cluster (%)	Early pink (%)	Late pink (%)	Bud swell (%)	Early green (%)	Late green (%)	Shoot Expansion (%)
Snohomish	Blueray	13.3	70	16.7	0	0	0	100
	Bluecrop	3.3	96.7	0	0	0	0	100
Skagit	Duke	23.3	56.7	20	0	0	3.3	96.7
Island	Aurora	66.7	33.3	0	0	0	0	100
	Legacy	6.7	36.7	56.6	0	0	0	100
Whatcom	Rancocas	40	50	10	0	0	23.3	76.7
	Bluecrop	60	33.3	6.7	0	0	6.7	93.3
Percentages represent data collected from 30 plants per each cultivar. Red indicates susceptible stage for infections.								

(Pictures: <https://fieldguide.bcblueberry.com/crop-growth-stages/>; Dr. Dalphy Hartevelde; https://www.canr.msu.edu/blueberries/growing_blueberries/growth-stages)

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	Dormant (%)	Germination (%)	Emergence (%)	Differentiation (%)	Sporulation (%)	Finished (%)
Snohomish	28	51	6	12	0	3
Skagit	48	17	7	22	0	6
Island	56	25	6	10	0	3
Whatcom	15	21	9	41	2	12
Percentages represent data collected from 100 mummies in one field from each county. Red indicates release of ascospores.						