

Hop Harvest Timelines

Historical records: Historical harvest records can help to schedule cultivar-specific harvest windows in your growing area but should always be confirmed with moisture tests. **Table 1** depicts harvest timelines over two years for 10 different cultivars grown in a randomized and replicated trial at the Simcoe Research Station, Norfolk County, Ontario. This table can be used as a guideline to better understand when specific hop cultivars may be maturing in your part of the province. Keeping your own harvest records will help fine tune harvest dates in your particular growing region.



Table 1: Harvest date ranges for 10 hop cultivars grown in a randomized, replicated field trial completed by the University of Guelph located at the Simcoe Research Station, Norfolk County, Ontario. Data is compiled from the 2014 and 2015 growing season from 2nd year and 3rd year hop plants respectively (McDonald et al., 2016).

| Cultivar | Date | August | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | September | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------|------|--------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|-----------|----|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| | | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | 1 | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hallertauer | | █ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cascade | | | | | | | | | █ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Norther Brewer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Galena | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Centennial | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chinook | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Zeus | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sterling | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bertwell | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Crystal | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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