



# In-A-Nutshell



## Corrections to your August 2000 "In-A-Nutshell"

### *Codling Moth update:*

The initial biofix was March 25, not April 25.

### *July/August check list:*

Pistachio leaf samples: "Terminal", not sub-terminal leaflets, should be used for leaf tissue analyses.

## Walnut Maturity Update

Walnut maturity is, so far, abnormally variable. When cutting early harvesting variety nuts (the week of August 7<sup>th</sup>), some have packing tissue completely brown (a little ahead of normal) while other nuts on the same tree will have white packing tissue indicative of immature kernels (substantially later than normal). Various degrees of browning/maturity occur between these two extremes. The reason for variable maturity is probably due to the long, "strung out" bloom we experienced last spring - a result of inadequate winter chilling. Expect variable maturity for later harvesting varieties as well.

Remember, Ethrel application should go on when packing tissue in all of the nuts has completed browning. Applications to immature nuts will result in loss of kernel weight.

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