

Life-cycle Reports

Deciduous Trees & Shrubs

Observation Year

About my Plant

Common Plant Name*

Scientific Name (if known)

Location Name (a unique name of your choosing)

Latitude*: _____

Longitude*: - _____

City*: _____

State*: _____

Zip Code: _____

* Required fields ▲

Is this site within 100' of a building or concrete or asphalt?

- Yes
- No

Describe the irrigation at this site:

- Irrigated regularly
- Not irrigated

What kind of habitat is your site?

- Home lawn
- Home garden
- School lawn
- School garden
- School paved area
- City or community park (developed)
- Natural Setting (non-developed park, refuge, nature center, hiking trails, open space, etc.)
- Botanic Garden
- Other (please describe in comment field)

Describe the shading at this site

- Open (more than 5 hours per day of direct sun)
- Partially Shaded (2-5 hours per day of direct sun)
- Shaded (less than 2 hours per day of direct sun)

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My Plant Observations: same plant, multiple events

Month | Day

Bud Burst

Date when the protective scale coating is shed from the bud exposing tender new growth tissues of one or more flower buds or leaves

Month | Day

First Leaf

Date the **first leaves** are completely unfolded from the bud on at least 3 branches. Leaves need to be opened completely (flattened) and the leaf stem or base must be visible (you might need to bend the leaf backwards to see those).

Month | Day

All Leaves Unfolded

Date when **at least 90%** of the growing leaf buds have reached the first leaf stage.

Month | Day

First Flower

Date the **first flowers** are fully open (stamens are visible) on at least 3 branches. When open, flowers on wind-pollinated plants will release yellow pollen dust when touched.

Month | Day

Full Flower

Date when **half or more** of the flowers are fully open or releasing pollen on 3 or more branches.

Month | Day

First Ripe Fruit

Date when the **first fruits** become fully ripe or seeds drop naturally from the plant on 3 or more branches. Ripening is often indicated by a change to the mature color or by drying and splitting open.

Month | Day

Full Fruiting

Date when **half or more** branches have fully ripe fruit or the seeds are dropping naturally from the plant. If fruits are in clusters or stalks, then record when at least one fruit is ripe on at least half of the branches.

Month | Day

50% Color

Date when **half or more** of the branches have leaves which have started to change color.

Month | Day

50% Leaf Fall

Date when **at least half** of the leaves have fallen off the tree or shrub.

Note: Once you create a new Life-cycle report, add additional observations by editing the original report. Report directly from the field by using the Budburst.org website on your digital device.