## **Honey Fungus**



# A Guide to its Identification, Symptoms & Control

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#### Introduction

Honey Fungus or Armillaria is probably the most important killer of woody plants in Guernsey.

Honey Fungus used to be considered one species, Armillaria mellea, however research has shown that there are several species in the UK varying in their pathogenicity.

The main food source for the fungus is wood, stumps, infected trees or woody debris. It has even been known to feed on the bases of untreated fence posts and can attack herbaceous plants such as potato and strawberry. We are often asked if the Armillaria can be spread by bark chips and whilst in theory this is possible, the Arboricultural Advisory and Information Services in the UK consider it to be extremely unlikely to happen if **composted** bark chips are used. The RHS have demonstrated that infected bark chips can initiate infection but that the incidence was low. The size of the bark chip is also an important factor because larger pieces can sustain the fungus for a longer period of time which increases the risk of plant infection. It would therefore be prudent not to use fresh bark chips and only use stocks that have been well composted.

#### **Mode of Attack**

Armillaria can damage woody plants in two ways:-

- 1. By attacking and killing the conductive tissue under the bark at the base of the plant, this is a very obvious symptom of certain species of Armillaria. The effect is similar to ring barking and the plant often produces abundant fruit or cones before it dies.
- 2. By causing an internal white rot the wood is weakened by the fungus breaking down lignin. Woody tissue often becomes water-soaked initially then brittle as it dries. Whilst this does not immediately kill the tree, it seriously weakens the wood and roots making trees subject to wind throw and can therefore be dangerous.

#### **Symptoms**

The first indication that the disease is present is often the wilting of leaves followed by the rapid death of a tree or shrub. In some other plants decline in shoot growth, abnormally small leaves, a heavy crop of fruit or cones, or gradual dieback may be the first symptoms. In hedgerows a gradual progression of dead or dying plants is a good indication of *Armillaria*. Sometimes gummy or resinous exudations can be seen on infected tree trunks as they become stressed by the infection.

Armillaria has three distinct stages, mycelial sheets, toadstools and rhizomorphs.

#### 1. White Fan-Shaped Mycelium

A white fan-shaped fungal or a 'felty' growth of mycelium will be seen just under the bark, running up the stem from soil level. These soft, white sheets are about paper-thick and the fan-shaped edge contrasts sharply with the bark and wood, a strong 'mushroomy' smell is noticeable when fresh. This fan-shaped mycelium, which penetrates the bark on the roots, crown or stem grows between wood and the bark, separating them. As it extends under the bark it eventually girdles the tree and kills it. It is this separation of bark from the underlying

wood, combined with toxins excreted by the fungus into the water and nutrient bearing cells of the tree, which causes the death of the tree. This white fungal sheet is the best indicator of *Armillaria*.

#### 2. Toadstools

This is the reproductive stage of the fungus and each toadstool is capable of producing masses of spores, which may spread by wind over considerable distances. Whilst the spores are able to colonise stumps of recently felled trees, it rarely does, and the spores are of little danger to healthy trees.

The toadstools appear in autumn (October-November) and will be seen on many of the Guernsey hedgerows. They are very variable in colour, size and shape but generally:-

Cap: 3-15cm across, honey-brown colour with fine dark scales especially in the centre.

Stem: 60-150 x 5-15mm, tapering towards the base, or swollen, whitish becoming reddishbrown, and initially it has a whitish to yellow cottony ring.

Gills: Adnate to subdecurrent or distinctly decurrent (i.e. continue slightly down the stem), are white at first turning pale cream and may become darker and spotted with age.

Flesh: White, tastes astringent and has a strong smell.

#### 3. Rhizomorphs

These are the structures that give the fungus the name Bootlace or Shoestring fungus and they are the main means of spread. They are long, black/brown, flat, root-like cords which may be seen growing out from the bark or roots. Rhizomorphs are usually produced during the terminal stages of decay. They are formed by the aggregation of fungal threads and they have a tough protective rind. Rhizomorphs are less branched than roots but grow in a similar manner from an infected stump through soil or surface litter and they may spread out several metres from the infected tree forming a web-like system.

This web-like network survives as long as a sequence of food sources continues to be accessible. Rhizomorphs of some species are produced in waves, whilst others are long lived. Rhizomorphs vary in size from a millimetre in diameter to almost pencil thick. As no other British fungus is known to produce rhizomorphs like this they are a good indicator that Armillaria is present.

Research indicates the rhizomorph abundance varies with species and that rhizomorphs of the different species behave in different ways. The rhizomorphs of the more pathogenic species do not need a wound to penetrate roots as they attach themselves to roots. The tip of the rhizomorph penetrates the bark scales either by mechanical force or by production of toxic substances. These species have less abundant, more fragile rhizomorphs than those of the less parasitic species. The less virulent species need wounds to enter the roots and produce many tough rhizomorphs. These highly visible rhizomorphs are not so dangerous to healthy trees, although they will infect seriously injured ones whose damaged roots are biochemically predisposed to infection.

Rhizomorphs have been recorded as growing a metre per year, but growth rate correlated to size and type of the food source and to the substrate, with peat encouraging growth whilst sand inhibits it. Seasonal desiccation of upper soil levels can govern the vertical distribution of the fungus but rhizomorphs can penetrate up to a metre depth in light soils.

#### **Root Transmission**

There is one other way in which *Armillaria* spreads from plant to plant; this is by root to root contact. When infected roots meet in the soil, the fungus is able to spread into the other plant.

#### **Control of Infection**

There is no control of this disease once it has penetrated the plant as the major problem is getting sufficient control agents to the site whilst they are still active. *Armillaria* is well protected, producing antibiotics, thick walled fungal cells and pseudosclerotia which chemical or biological agents need to get past to control. There are no approved chemicals for use in the control of Armillaria in garden & amenity situations.

#### A. Cultural Control

No woody plant is totally immune to the fungus but some trees resist infection longer than others, some become more resistant with age and sometimes the fungus only attacks part of a tree allowing it to survive for many years.

Stress predisposes a tree to infection by *Armillaria* so it is important to ensure the trees/shrubs are given good growing conditions. Waterlogging, shading, drought, defoliation, advanced age, declining vigour of the host plant, damage due to pollution, nutrient deficiency, insects and fungi etc, all affect the plant's growth and can predispose the tree to infection.

Whilst there is no effective chemical control of *Armillaria* at the present, there are various cultural measures you can take to prevent spread and to protect any new plantings:-

#### a) It is most important to remove the source of infection

- I. As woody material is food for *Armillaria*, rhizomorphs usually radiate out from the infection. *Armillaria* may stay active for decades in very large stumps especially from hard wood stumps, so it is important that grubbing or chipping removes these sources of food.
- II. Remove as many roots as possible, especially the larger ones. But remember to be careful when removing roots from around healthy trees, as damaging these roots will leave them open to infection by the less virulent *Armillaria* species and other soil pathogens.
- III. Look for other infected plants in the area and remove these and their root systems.
- IV. In hedges remove one apparently healthy plant on either side of the dead ones, as these are probably infected by root contact, even if they are not showing symptoms.
- V. As rhizomorphs need to be attached to their woody food in order to grow and spread, regular deep cultivation of the infected area for at least one year will also help control the spread of the disease. Cultivation breaks up the rhizomorphs and detaches them from their food source. However, remember *Armillaria* forms a web and can remain active as long as

some of its rhizomorphs are attached to a woody food source, so can re-enter an area from any direction.

If the site is suitable, planting annual bedding plants in the area for 1-3 years will help control the problem as non-woody annuals are unlikely to be infected by *Armillaria*. When preparing the soil for annuals, cultivate the soil to a depth of at least 30-45cm. When doing this you will break up any rhizomorphs present and detach them from their food source. Adding fertiliser and organic matter will also improve the soil structure and lead to healthy plant growth.

Several years of this treatment will greatly improve the fertility of the soil and give resistant shrubs or trees a good chance of survival when you eventually replace them.

- VI. Leaving the infected area fallow for one or two years is another possibility but as the area is left uncultivated the rhizomorphs may still be viable. Improve the soil structure and fertility before re-planting with more resistant shrubs or trees.
- VII. Some areas of the garden are not suitable for the above treatments, especially old hedge areas as here it is often essential to replace the hedging quickly.

Apart from putting in a fence or wall, removing the contaminated soil and swapping it with disease free soil before replanting is another alternative.

#### b) Protection of Trees

If the above measures are impractical for your situation, then it may be worth considering protecting your other trees and shrubs by putting down a physical barrier. Physical barriers however are only useful for really valuable trees and if the source of *Armillaria* is known. Remember *Armillaria* often has a web of rhizomorphs and can attack from any direction.

#### Barriers can be either:-

- I. <u>Heavy gauge polythene sheet</u>. (The polythene sheet should also be inspected occasionally).
- II. <u>Trenches</u>. Rhizomorphs can go deep so these barriers should be down at least 45cm (18 inches) in heavy soils and up to a metre in light ones and need to be re-dug annually.
- III. <u>Deep cultivation</u>. Rhizomorphs continue to grow until the food supply is exhausted so cultivations will have to be repeated regularly. Be very careful not to damage the roots or the tree you wish to protect.

#### c) Air Spades:

This is a relatively new technique from the US where compressed air is used to reduce compaction around the base of trees without damaging the roots. This improves root growth and is believed to help the plant to resist fungal infections such as Armillaria.

#### d) Resistant Plants

If none of these control methods are feasible then plant resistant types of trees or shrubs. As *Armillaria* is a very successful fungus, it is unlikely that any woody plant is truly immune although grasses such as Bamboo and Pampas Grass are considered to be immune or highly resistant to the fungus so in areas of high infection these should be considered.

**Bamboo** can make a good dense screen, although in certain conditions some varieties can be invasive. Regular cutting back will keep most under control and you will always have a ready supply of bamboo canes. Take advantage of the less invasive clump forming varieties currently available to fill a gap where *Armillaria* is endemic.

Pampas grass can produce an impenetrable border and be less suitable for some areas, but it needs a border of at least 3m (3 yards) wide. Pampas grass has become less popular in recent years due to its invasive nature if not controlled.

**Yew** is one woody plant considered to be very resistant once it is established, but we have seen other fungal and cultural problems with this plant when it is young. However, given good soil conditions and careful watering this plant can make an effective hedge.

A list of resistant and susceptible trees and shrubs can be found at the back of this leaflet. Other plants not mentioned in the list may also be suitable, but remember that as a general rule the faster the plant grows the more likely it is to succumb to *Armillaria*. It is the slower growing shrubs that resist the fungus.

Many of the plants in this list are resistant enough to plant in infected areas. However, even resistant plants will succumb if growing conditions are poor and the plants are under stress. Young newly planted trees are also vulnerable especially if their roots are damaged.

When planting new trees, cultivate the area thoroughly and give them the correct conditions (e.g. do not plant lime haters in calcareous soil or salt haters near the coast). Also, water regularly until the plants are fully established. Do not over-water as this can kill young feeding roots and encourage fungal entry.

#### **B.** Biological Control

The use of well-rotted compost or manure can also reduce the ravages of *Armillaria* in two ways. Firstly, it can create a better growing environment for the plants by improving the soil structure and the water holding capacity of the soil. Less stressed plants are more likely to resist the disease. Good quality compost also contains a lot of beneficial bacteria and fungi which can be antagonistic towards Armillaria species.

Professional products based on antagonistic bacteria or fungi may also prove beneficial as they not only strengthen the plant to resist attack but can also compete for space in the root zone against other fungi. ALWAYS CHECK THE LABEL TO ENSURE THAT THE PRODUCT IS APPROVED FOR USE IN YOUR PARTICULAR SITUATION.

#### C. Chemical Control

Currently there are no pesticides approved for the control of Armillaria in Guernsey.

#### **HELP WITH IDENTIFICATION**

If you suspect an *Armillaria* infection in your garden plants follow these instructions below and bring samples into the States Analytical Laboratory at Burnt Lane, St Martins. Site visits can be made, but only on a chargeable basis.

Either: Bring in the whole plant, if it is not too large!

or: If the shrub is too big take samples of bark from just above soil level or a few pieces of roots (about the thickness of a finger) where they join the base of the plant stem / trunk, as this is usually where the fungus is found.

It is important not only to bring in the correct type of sample but also to keep it fresh, so put the sample in a polythene bag and bring it to the lab on the same day or refrigerate before bringing it in within 2-3 days of sampling.

#### **Useful Links:**

The RHS Website has several pages on Honey Fungus and its Management <a href="https://www.rhs.org.uk/advice/profile?PID=180">https://www.rhs.org.uk/advice/profile?PID=180</a>

### ARMILLARIA LIST OF RESISTANT AND SUSCEPTIBLE PLANTS

A – Annual	D – Deciduous	E – Evergreen	FH – Frost Hardy
FT – Frost Tender	H – Fully Hardy	HH – Half Hardy	SE – Semi Evergreen
T – Tender			

#### PROBABLY IMMUNE MONOCOTYLEDONS

Arundinaria and related genera	Bamboo	E/HH-H
Cordaderia selloana	Pampas Grass	E/H
Cordyline australis	New Zealand cabbage palm	НН
Nandina domestica	Heavenly or Sacred bamboo	E-SE-FH
Phormium spp	New Zealand Flax	E/H

#### **PROBABLY HIGHLY RESISTANT TREES**

Acer negundo	Ash-leaved maple, Box elder	D/FH
Taxus baccata	Yew	E/H

#### **RESISTANT TREES, SHRUBS & CLIMBERS**

NB: Observations and records indicate that these plants are resistant to the disease under good conditions. They are not immune and can be infected by *Armillaria*. Poor growing conditions where plants are under stress (due to root damage, drought or waterlogging etc.) can result in infection.

#### **RESISTANT CLIMBERS**

Clematis species	Clematis	D/SE/E/H
Hedera helix	Common English ivy	E/H
Lonicera periclymenum	Common honeysuckle, Woodbine	D/H
Polygonum baldschuanicum	Russian vine	D/H

#### **RESISTANT SHRUBS**

Abelia x grandiflora	Glossy Abelia, White Abelia	SE/FH
Buxus sempervirens	Common box	E/H
Camellia species	Camellia	E/H
Chimonanthus praecox	Wintersweet	D/FH
Cistus species	Rock rose	E/FH-HH
Fabiana imbricata	Fabiana	E/FH
Hibiscus syriacus	Rose of Sharon, Shrubby Althea	D/H
Lagerstroemia indica	Crape myrtle	D/FH
Lonicera nitida	Lonicera, Box honeysuckle	E/H
Mahonia species	Oregon grape	E/H-HH
Mahonia aquifolium	Holly Mahonia	E/H

Mahonia japonica	Mahonia	E/H
Myrtus communis	Myrtle	E/FH
Olearia macrodonia	Daisy bush	E/FH
Olearia traversii		E/FH
Pittosporum species	Pittosporum	E/FH-FT
Prunus laurocerasus	Cherry laurel	E/FH
Prunus spinosa	Blackthorn, Sloe	D/H
Pyracantha crenulata	Firethorn	E/H
Rhaphiolepis indica	Indian hawthorn	E/HH
Rhaphiolepis umbellata	Yeddo hawthorn	E/FH
Shepherdia argentea	Buffalo berry	D/H
Ulex europeaus	Gorse, Furze	E/H
RESISTANT HEDGING PLANTS		
Berberis species	Barberry	D/SE/E/H-FH
Berberis darwinii	Darwin's Barberry	E/H
Berberis thunbergii	Japanese Barberry	D/H
Berberis wilsoniae	Wilson Barberry	D/SE/H
Euonymus japonicus	Japanese spindle	E/FH
llex aquifolium	Common holly	E/H
Olearia macrodonta	Daisy busy	E/FH
Olearia traversii		E/FH
Pittosporum toberia	Japanese Pittosporium Mock orange	E/FH
Quercus ilex	Holm oak	E/FH
Tamarix species	Tamarisk	D/E/H-FH
Tamarix gallica	French tamarisk	D/FH
RESISTANT TREES		
Abies alba	Silver fir	E/H
Abies concolor	White fir	E/H
Abies grandis	Giant fir	E/H
Abies procera	Noble fir	E/H
Abies species	Firs	E/H
Abutilon species	Flowering maple	E/SE/FH-FT
Abutilon vitifolium	Vine-leafed Abutilon	D/FH
Acacia verticillata	Star/Whorl-leaved acacia	E/HH
Acer macrophyllum	Oregon maple	D/H
Acer negundo var. californicum	California box elder	D/H
Acer pseudoplatanus	Sycamore	D/H
Ailanthus altissima	Tree of heaven	D/H
Albizia julibrissin	Silk tree	D/HH
Arbutus menziesii	Madrona	E/FH
Broussonetia papyrifera	Paper mulberry	D/F
Calocededrus decurrens	Incense cedar	E/H
Carpinus betulus	Common hornbeam	D/H
Catalpa bignoniodes	Indian bean tree	D/H
Celtis occidentalis	Hackberry	D/H
Cotinus conqueria	Conclusion	D/U

D/H

Smoke tree

Cotinus coggygria

Crataegus species	Hawthorn	D/H
Crataegus laevigata	Hawthorn, May	D/H
Crataegus monogyny	Common Hawthorn	D/H
Crataegus phaenopyrum	Washington Thorn	D/H
Eucalyptus species	Gum tree	E/FH-FT
Eucalyptus polyanthemos	Redbox, Australian beech	E/FT
Fagus sylvatica	Common beech	D/H
Fraxinus species	Ash	D/H
Fraxinus excelsior	Common ash	D/H
Ilex aquifolium	Common holly	E/H
Juniperus species	Junipers	E/H
Koelreuteria paniculata	Golden-rain tree, Pride of India	D/FH
Larix species	Larch	D/H
Larix kaempferi	Japanese larch	D/H
Larix decidua	European larch	D/H
Larix x eurolepis	Dunkeld larch	D/H
Liquidambar styraciflua	Sweet gum	D/H
Liriodendron tulipifera	Tulip tree	D/H
Magnolia species	Magnolia	D/SE/E/HFH
Maytenus boaria	Maiten	E/FH
Morus species	Mulberry	D/H
Notofagus species	Southern beech	D/H
Phellodendron amurense	Amur cork tree	D/H
Phellodendron chinense	Chinese cork tree	D/H
Pistacia chinensis	Chinese pistachio	D/H
Platanus species	Plane	D/H-FH
Platanus x acerifolia [hispanica]?	London plane	D/H
Populus species	Poplar	D/H
Prunus laurocerasus	Cherry laurel	E/FH
Pseudotsuga menziesii	Douglas fir	E/H
Quercus species	Oaks	D/E/H-FH
Quercus chrysolepis	Maul oak, Golden cup oak	E/H
Quercus petraea	Sessile/Durmast oak	D/H
Quercus robur	Common, Pedunculate oak	D/H
Rhus species	Sumach	D/H-HH
Rhus typhina	Stag's-horn Sumach	D/H
Robinia species	Locust	D/H
Robinia pseudoacacia	Locust, False acacia	D/H
Sambucus nigra	Common elder	D/H
Tilia species	Linden, lime	D/H
Tilia x europaea	Common lime	D/H
Ulmus species	Elm	D/H
Vitex agnus-castus	Chaste tree	D/FH
Zelkova serrata	Japanese Zelkova	D/H
RESISTANT FRUIT & NUTS		
Castanea dentata	American chestnut	D/H

Castanea sativa	Spanish/Sweet chestnut	D/H
Cydonia oblonga	Quince	D/H
Diospyros kaki	Chinese persimmon	D/FH
Diospyros lotus	Date plum	D/H
Diospyros virginiana	Common persimmon	D/H
Ficus carica	Common fig	D/H
Malus species	Crab-apple	D/H
Malus ioensis	Prairie Crab-apple	D/H
Malus prunifolia	Pear-leaf Crab-apple	D/H
Malus cerasifera	Cherry plum, Myrobalan	D/H
Prunus Americana	American plum	D/H
Prunus avium	Sweet cherry	D/H
Prunus insititia	St. Julien plum	D/H
Prunus spinosa	Blackthorn, Sloe	D/H
Prunus species	Plum	D/H
Pyrus betulaefolia	Birch-leaf pear	D/H
Pyrus calleryana	Callery pear	D/H
Pyrus communis	Pear	D/H

#### **SUSCEPTIBLE TREES, SHRUBS & CLIMBERS**

These plants are liable to be infected by Armillaria and should not be planted in areas where Armillaria has been found.

#### SUSCEPTIBLE CLIMBERS

Humulus lupulus	Нор	Н

#### **SUSCEPTIBLE SHRUBS**

Buddleia davidii	Butterfly bush	D/H
Buddleia davidii var. magnifica	Oxeye butterfly bush	D/H
Buddleia globosa	Orange butterfly bush	D/SE/H
Caesalpina gilliesii	Paradise Poinciana	D/FH
Callistemon viminalis	Weeping Bottlebrush	E/HH
Caryopteris x clandonensis	Bluemist	D/FH
Ceanothus species	Ceanothus	D/E/FH-HH
Ceanothus thyrsiflorus	Blue-blossom	E/FH
Choisya ternata	Mexican orange blossom	E/FH
Cotoneaster species	Franchet Cotoneaster	D/SE/E/H-FH
Cotoneaster franchetii	Tree Cotoneaster	E/SE/H
Cotoneaster frigidus	Harrow Cotoneaster	D/H
Cotoneaster harroviana		E/H
Cotoneaster horizontalis	Wall-spray	D/H
Cotoneaster microphylla	Rock-spray Cotoneaster	E/H
Cotoneaster microphylla var.		E/H
vellea		

SUSCEPTIBLE SHRUBS cont.		
Cotoneaster pannosa	Silver-leaf Cotoneaster	E/SE/H
Cotoneaster salicifolia var.	Hardy willow-leaf Cotoneaster	E/HH
floccosa		
Cytisus x spachianus	Easter broom	E/H
Deutzia scabra	Fuzzy Deutzia	D/H
Elaeagnus species	Eleagnus	D/E/H-FH
Eleagnus angustifolia	Oleaster	D/H
Erica species	Heather	E/H-FH
Erica carnea	Alpine heath, Winter heath	E/H
Escallonia montevidensis	Montevideo Escallonia	E/H
Escallonia pulverulenta		E/H
Forsythia species		D/H
Fremontodendron mexicanum	Southern Fremontia	E/SE/FH
Fuchsia species	Fuchsia	D/E/FH-FT
Hebe species	Hebe	E/H-HH
Hebe andersonii	Anderson speedwell	E/HH
Heteromeles arbutifolia	Toyon, Christmas berry	E/FH
Hydrangea macrophylla	Hydrangea	D/FH
Hibiscus species	Hibiscus	D/E/H-FT
Hypericum patulum cv. henryi	St. Johnswort, Goldflower	E-SE/FH
Hypericum prolificum	Shrubby St. Johnswort	Н
Juniperus species	Prostrate junipers	E/H
Kerria japonica	Japanese Rose, Globe Flower	D/H
Philadelphus species	Mock orange	D/H-FH
Pyracantha angustifolia	Narrow-leaf firethorn	E/FH
Pyracantha coccinea	Scarlet firethorn	E/H
Pyrancantha coccinea cv. lalendei	Lalande Pyracantha	E/H
Pyracantha rogersiana	Rogers firethorn	E/FH
Rhus trilobata	III-scented sumac	D/H
Rhododendron species	Rhododendron	E/SE/D/HFT
Rosa species	Rose	D/SE/H
Spartium junceum	Spanish broom	D/FH
Spiraea prunifolia	Bridal wreath	D/H
Viburnum species		/SE/E/HFH
Viburnum tinus	Laurustinus	E/FH
SUSCEPTIBLE HEDGING PLANTS		
Chamaecyparis species		E/H
Chamaecyparis lawsoniana	Lawson cypress	E/H
x Cupressocyparis leylandii	Leyland cypress	E/H
Escallonia macrantha	Red Escallonia	E/H
Euonymus japonicus	Golden Euonymus	E/FH
Ligustrum species	Privet	D/SE/E/HFH
Ligustrum japonicum	Japanese privet	E/FH
Ligustrum ovalifolium	Privet	E/SE/H
Ligustrum vulgare cv. aureum	Yellow-leaf European Privet	D/SE/H

SUSCEPTIBLE TREES		
Acacia longifolia var. floribunda	Sydney golden wattle	E/FH
Araucaria araucana	Chile pine, Monkey puzzle	E/FLH
Acer species	Maple	E/D/FLH-FH
Arbutus unedo	Strawberry tree	E/H
Betula species	Birch	D/H
Betula pendula	Silver birch	D/H
Betula pubescens	White birch	D/H
Caesalpina gilliesii	Paradise Poinciana	D/FH
Caenothus arboreus	Mountain lilac	E/FH
Cedrus species	Cedar	E/H
Cedrus atlantica	Atlas cedar	E/H
Cedrus doedara	Deodar	E/H
Cedrus libani	Cedar of Lebanon	E/H
Cercidiphyllum japonicum	Katsura	D/H
Cercis canadensis	Eastern Redbud	D/H
Cryptomeria japonica	Japanese cedar	E/H
Cupressus species	Cypress	E/H
Cupressus macrocarpa	Monterey cypress	E/H
Eriobotrya japonica	Loquat	E/FH
Heteromeles arbutifolia	Toyon, Christmas Berry	E/FH
Hydrangea species		D-E/H-FH
Juglans species (except J. hindsii)	Walnut	D/H
Juglans regia	Walnut	D/H
Laburnum species		D/H
Laburnum anagyroides	Golden-Chain	D/H
Leptospernum laevigatum	Australian tea-tree	E/FH-HH
Lithocarpus densifolia	Tanbark oak	E/FH
Malus species	Apples	D/H
Malus hupehensis	Hupeh crab	D/H
Malus x purpurea cv. Eleyi	Eley crab	D/H
Malus sargentii	Sargent crab	D/H
Malus toringoides	Cutleaf crab-apple	D/H
Myrtus communis cv. varigata	Variegated myrtle	E/FH
Picea abies	Common/Norway spruce	E/H
Picea omorika	Serbian spruce	E/H
Picea sitchensis	Sitka spruce	E/H
Pinus species	Pine	E/H
Pinus contorta	Lodgepole pine, Shore pine	E/H
Pinus nigra var. maritima	Corsican pine	E/H
Pinus radiata	Monterey pine	E/H
Pinus sylvestris	Scots pine	E/H
Salix species	Willow	D/H-FH
Salix babylonica	Weeping willow	D/H
Sequoiadendron giganteum	Wellingtonia, Giant redwood, Big tree	E/H
Syringa vulgaris	Lilac	D/H
Thuja plicata	Western red cedar	E/H
Tsuga heterophylla	Western hemlock	E/H
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SUSCEPTIBLE FRUIT AND NUTS		
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Castanea mollissima	Chinese chestnut	D/H
Fragaria species	Strawberry	Н
Fragaria chiloensis var. ananassa	Strawberry	Н
Malus baccata	Siberian crab-apple	D/H
Prunus species	Cherry and Plum	D/H
Prunus amygdalus	Almond	D/H
Prunus armeniaca	Apricot	D/H
Prunus dasycarpa	Purple apricot	D/H
Prunus davidiana	David peach	D/H
Prunus domestica cv. Clyman	Clyman plum	D/H
Plum		
Prunus domestica cv.Diamond	Diamond plum	D/H
Prunus domestica cv. French	French prune	D/H
Prune		
Prunus maheleb	Mahaleb peach	D/H
Prunus murne	Japanese apricot	D/H
Prunus persica	Peach	D/H
Prunus serrulata	Japanese flowering cherry	D/H
Prunus sibernica	Siberian apricot	D/H
Prunus tomentosa	Downy Cherry	D/H
Pterocarya stenoptera	Chinese wing nut	D/H
Ribes grossularia	Gooseberry	D/H
Ribes nigrum	Blackcurrant	D/H
Rubus species	Blackberry, Brambles	D/SE/E/H-FH
Rubus idaeus	Raspberry	D/H
Vitis species	Grape vine	D/F-H
Vitis vinifera	Grape vine	D/H
Solanum tuberosum	Potato	Α
Zantedeschia species	Calla lily	FH
	SISTANT TENDER PLANTS	
Acacia decurrens var. mollis	Black acacia, Black wattle	D/T
Arctostaphylos species	Manzanita	E/H-FT
Brachychiton populneum	Kurrajong bottle tree	E/FT
Carya illinoensis (C. pecan?)	Pecan	D/FT
Eugenia species Syzgium	Eugenia	E/FT
Grevillea robusta	Silky oak	E/FT
Jacaranda acutifolia	Jacaranda	D/E/FT
Lagerstroemia indica	Crape myrtle	D/FT
Mahonia [nevinii] haematocarpa	Nevin mahonia	E/FT
Melaleuca styphelioides	Malaleuca	E/FT
Nerium oleander	Oleander	E/T
Persea americana	Avocado	D/T
Persea indica	Indian avocado	D/T
Pinus canariensis	Canary pine	E/FT

Pinus patula	Mexican pine	E/HH-FT
Pinus torreyana	Torrey/Soledad pine	E/FT
Prunus ilicifolia	Holly-leaf cherry, Islay, California	E/T
	cherry	
Prunus salicina	Japanese plum	D/T
Prunus salicina cv. Methley	Methley plum	D/T
Quillaja sopenaria	Soapbark tree, Soap bush	E/T
Ternstroemia sylvatica	Mexican Ternstroemia	E/T
Tibouchina semidecandra	Pleroma, Princess flower, Glory-bush	E/T

#### **SUSCEPTIBLE TENDER PLANTS**

Arecastrum romanzoffianum	Queen palm	E/FT
Cassia tomentosa	Senna	D/FT
Cinnamomum camphora	Camphor tree	E/FT
Citrus species	Citrus	E/T
Coprosma repens	Coprosma, Mirror shrub	E/FT
Erythrina crista-galli	Cockspur coral tree	D/SE/HH/FT
Eucalyptus maculata v. citriodora	Lemon-scented spotted gum	E/FT
Eucalyptus sideroxylon var. rosea	Pink iron bark	E/FT
Euphorbia pulcherrima	Poinsettia	E/FT
Hakea laurina	Sea urchin tree	E/FH-FT
Melaleuca hypericifolia		E/FT
Melaleuca genistifolia		E/FT
Melaleuca leucadendra	Cajeput tree or Punk tree	E/FT
Pelargonium species	Geranium	E/FT
Quercus virginiana	Southern live oak	E/T
Schinus molle	California pepper tree	E/FT

#### **RESISTANT HERBACEOUS PLANTS**

Robison-Bax (1999) tested some common herbaceous plants and the results are below:

Polygonum rude

#### **SUSCEPTIBLE HERBACEOUS PLANTS**

Alchemilla mollis	Lady's mantle	Н
Arundinaria pumila	Bamboo	Н
Beta vulgaris ssp maritime	Sea Beet	Н
Cimifuga species	Bugbane	Н
Epimedium species	Epimedium	Н
Geranium albanum	Cranebill, Hardy Geraniums	Н
Hosta species	Plantain Lily	Н
Lamium species	Deadnettles	Н
Oenothera species	Evening Primrose	Н
Pelargonium 'Multi'	Geranium	HH
Phlox paniculata	Phlox	Н
Physalis alkekengi	Bladder cherry, Winter cherry	Н
Saxifraga x urbium	London pride	Н
Sedum 'Autumn Joy'	Stonecrop	Н

Seseli osseum	Umbelliferae family	Н
Strobilanthes species	Acanthaceae family	Н
Succisella petteri	Dipsaceae family	Н
Thymus species	Thyme	Н
Valerianella rimosa	Valerianaceae family	Н
Vinetoxicum nigrum	Apogynaceae family	Н

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