

BACKYARD ORCHARD PEST MANAGEMENT

TIMING	TARGET PESTS	ACTION / ORGANIC CONTROL	TREE TYPES
Dormant Late Winter	Aphids, Scale, Mites	Apply Horticultural Dormant Oil to smother overwintering eggs.	All Fruit Trees
Pink Bud Early Spring	Aphids, Scab, Mildew	Apply sulfur or copper fungicide before blossoms open.	Apples, Pears
Petal Fall Late Spring	Plum Curculio, Codling Moth	Hang pheromone traps or apply Spinosad after petals drop.	Stone Fruits, Apples
Cover Early Summer	Spider Mites, Fruit Fly	Release predatory mites; use Neem Oil or Kaolin Clay coatings.	Cherries, Peaches
Post-Harvest Autumn	Fungal Spores, Borers	Remove all fallen fruit; apply lime sulfur after leaf drop.	All Fruit Trees

Notes: Always follow label instructions for any spray application. Monitor weather to avoid spraying before heavy rain.