



Almonds: Producing Straight Trees

Why straight trees?

Straight trees make it easier to select the correct limbs in the first two years pruning / training. This is very important to obtain the optimum tree shape to maximize production potential.

How to produce straight trees?

1. Keep the apical tip growing

- Monitor for thrip, aphid, worms, or other insect pests which damage, destroy or cause the growing tip to stop.
- Spray with appropriate pesticides to control insect pests.
- Provide maximum nutrition to keep tip growing.
- Provide frequent, light irrigations to provide optimum soil moisture for rapid growth.



2. Provide stakes for rapidly growing trees which may bend over.

- Place and tie the tree to 1 M stakes or use stakes and tie strings at three different heights.



3. Use wires or rope to guide tree growth

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