



North Island	This week had rain and thunderstorms in the Bay. Golden Queen peaches are coming to an end, but there's one more trick up our summerfruit sleeve. Later this month, a big beast of a peach will make its bright and bold appearance – it's called Beryl's Delight. It's a one of kind, and only one grower in New Zealand owns the Intellectual Property rights to grow it. You won't see this until around March 24, as the fruit is still growing happily in the orchard.
South Island	Growers are looking at a strong finish to the season with good prices. Limited supplies of fruit are getting out the pack house doors. There are a few varieties of late plums available. Central Otago's weather has been kind of growers this week. Cooler days and nights – nothing out of the ordinary for this time of year.

cherries

The cherry season has now finished.

apricots

Low

Med

High

The apricot season has now finished.

- **Nevis** – from CO; strictly limited numbers to specific destinations.

nectarines

Low

Med

High

Nectarines are on the last leg of their summerfruit sojourn for this season. Be quick before they're all gone.

- **August Red** – from CO; one of the last fruits of the season. This late nectarine is available in limited supplies.
- **August Fire** – from CO; limited product available for the market.
- **Summer Blush** – from CO; will finish early to mid-next week.
- **Bon Bon** – from CO; finished in the markets this week.

peaches

Low

Med

High

Central Otago's peacharines are finishing early next week, however, Mangaweka's (North Island) peacharines will continue to build in volume. The timing of peaches' finishing dates from Hawke's Bay will be dependent on rain events this week.

- **Golden King** – from HB; Started picking this week. Big sized fruit. Available this week and next week.
- **Golden Queen** – from HB; available this week but finishing early next week.
- **Golden Tatura** – from CO; all off the trees, packed and shipped.
- **Cal Red** – from CO; yellow-flesh. Limited supplied available next week.
- **Peacharines** – available for the next three weeks from growers in both the North and South Islands.

plums

Low

Med

High

There are a few delicious plum varieties around to keep people feeling summery, as we head into autumn.

- **Royal Star** – from HB; Good volumes for the next two weeks. Average fruit size is a nice 55mm.
- **Omega** – from HB and CO; tiny bit around. Achieving good prices. Finish during next week.
- **Songold** – from CO; yellow-flesh. Glorious yellow colour – a real stand out. Available for two to three weeks.
- **Freedom** – from CO; available for two weeks.
- **Angelino** – from CO; available for two to three weeks.