

Fruit Growing

Watering

New plantings: water in on planting during growing season. Winter-planted stock may need watering in Spring to aid establishment.

Trees on rootstocks: restricted root system. Often lacking tap root – not deep rooting

Plants in tubs and restricted growing spaces: including plants against walls and plants indoors.

Drought conditions: reduced cropping, June drop, fruit splitting upon rainfall

Position: against wall especially south, s-west facing. South facing slopes and suntraps

CONSIDERATIONS

Soil type/drainage: eg. dry soil + humid = mildew.
Waterlogged/overwatered soil = root diseases

Air/Ground Frosts: counter with watering prior / fine mist spray

Mulches: organic and inorganic. Permeable, porous/non permeable, water-shedding. Conserve water, suppress weeds

Soil sculpture: moats and channels.

Irrigation: watering can/hose/drip feed hose

Rainwater vs Tapwater