

2025 Mtn Hort Field Day

Thursday, August 14, 2025

Time: 8AM – 4PM

Location: Mountain Horticultural Crops Research and Extension Center, 74 Research Drive, Mills River, NC 28759

Agenda:

8:00 AM – 8:45 AM: Registration

9:00 AM – 12:30 PM: Station Tour

Traverse the Mtn. Hort property where researchers and students will highlight fieldwork in our orchards, fields, and research plots. Hear from members of the Apple, Tomato, Alternative and Specialty, and Nursery/Landscape Crop teams.

Researchers and sponsors will have additional displays during registration and lunch.

12:30 PM - 2:00 PM: Complimentary lunch

To register for the morning **general tour and lunch** please use the link below:

<https://go.ncsu.edu/mtnhortregistration>



If you have a disability or desire any assistive devices, services or other accommodations to participate in this activity, please contact the NC Agricultural Research Service at 919.515-2717 during business hours of 8A.M. to 5 P.M. at least two weeks before the event to request accommodations.

For questions or more information, please contact Jessica Stepp Edney at 828.654-8590 or

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Nursery Crop Industry Professional VIP Tour

Join us after the general tour for a deeper dive into research and development of nursery crops at the Mountain Horticultural Crops Research and Extension Center.

Time: 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Topics:

Phytophthora Management for Herbaceous Perennials. Dr. Inga Meadows, Department of Entomology and Plant Pathology

Update on Pink Disease in WNC. Dr. Sara Villani, Department of Entomology and Plant Pathology and Mr. Steve Pettis, Commercial and Consumer Horticulture Agent, NC State Cooperative Extension.

Breeding Breakthroughs in Hydrangea and Azalea. Irene Palmer, Mountain Crop Improvement Lab, Department of Horticultural Science

Rare and Unusual Plants and Hybrids. John Nix, Mountain Crop Improvement Lab, Department of Horticultural Science

Gene Editing and Biotechnology Applications for Nursery Crops. Dr. Tom Ranney, Mountain Crop Improvement Lab, Department of Horticultural Science

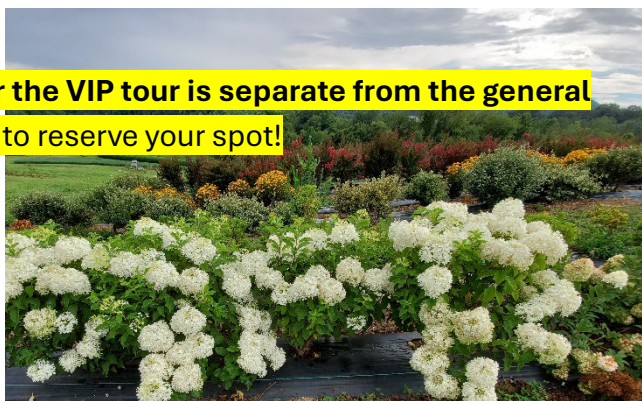
New Introductions from the Mountain Crop Improvement Lab. Nathan Lynch, Mountain Crop Improvement Lab, Department of Horticultural Science

Cultural Practices to Prevent Flatheaded Appletree Borers in Nursery Crops. Tindall Ouverson, Department of Horticultural Science

Labor, Efficiency, Automation, Production: LEAP Nursery Crops Toward Sustainability. Dr. Anthony LeBude, Department of Horticultural Science



Registration for the VIP tour is separate from the general tour. Make sure to reserve your spot!



RSVP using the QR code above or at:

<https://form.jotform.com/251483777412159>