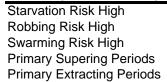
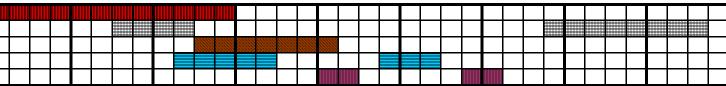
Typical Flowering Seasons for Western North Carolina Honey and Pollen Sources: Approximately 2500 feet elevation

Plant	Month Week	February				March					April				May				June				Jι	ıly		August				September				October			
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Other Important Beekeeping Dates:





Timetable Legend:

Primary Flowering Period Primary Honey Flow Periods



Compiled in 1978 by Edd Buchanan and John Mundy Updated 2/28/2006 by Chris Mathis and Edd Buchanan **Note:** Microclimate issues can dramatically affect plant flowering and honey flow dates, especially in the mountains. Such issues may include plant areas protected from winds and snowfall, or having especially good solar access. Seasonal variations in rainfall, snowfall, frost, freezing and thaw dates can also have a significant influence on these typical flowering dates and durations - sometimes as much as +/- 2 weeks! Beekeepers must be ever-mindful of weather changes and unusual seasonal events that can affect plant flowering, bee activities and honey production for their specific mountain microclimate.