

Early Control of Gill's Mealybug

PISTACHIO

Centaur® insect growth regulator is highly effective on Gill's mealybug when applied at bud break. Applications of Centaur during this window reduces overwintering crawlers to more manageable levels in-season.

Key Benefits of Using Centaur at Bud Break

- A bud break application targets overwintering crawlers, preventing the majority of them from maturing into reproductive females and thus breaking the mealybug life cycle.
- A bud break application of Centaur will reduce populations 80 to 90 percent, making mealybug more manageable in-season.
- Helps avoid detection of residues in pistachios.

Application Timing

- Apply at bud break when crawlers are moving or have migrated to buds to feed.
- Applications at this timing can be made from bud swell through approximately 2 weeks after bud break.
- Centaur is not effective against adult mealybug.
- When Gill's mealybug pressure is heavy, a follow-up application with an effective insecticide may be necessary in-season (May-June) to provide season-long control.

Use Information

- Rate: 34.5 to 46 oz/A. Use higher rate in blocks with heavy pressure.
- 200 gallons water per acre
- Open nozzles to cover the tree trunk and wood in the canopy.
- Proper coverage is essential for optimum insect control.

Product Information

- IRAC Group 16 Insecticide
- Reentry Interval (REI): 12 hrs
- Preharvest Interval (PHI): 60 days
- Do not apply more than 46 oz/A per season

Refer to the global MRL database for current established tolerances www.globalmrl.com/db#query



Untreated Pistachio Cluster Heavily Infested with Gill's Mealybug at Harvest



Pistachio Cluster Treated with Centaur IGR

Efficacy of Centaur in Pistachio



Mealybug Infested Untreated Bud



Treated Bud with Centaur 21 DAT





