MATSUTAKE MUSHROOM INFORMATION

DESCHUTES, FREMONT-WINEMA, UMPQUA, WILLAMETTE, NATIONAL FORESTS

2026 MATSUTAKE MUSHROOM HARVEST INFORMATION

SEPTEMBER 8, 2026 – NOVEMBER 8, 2026

Commercial Harvesting Conditions:

A commercial permit is required to collect Matsutake mushrooms within the Deschutes, Fremont-Winema, Umpqua, and Willamette National Forests.

Harvesters must be 18 years or older to obtain a permit.

A commercial permit allows unlimited quantities of Matsutake mushrooms to be harvested and transported.

Other edible mushroom species may also be harvested during this time with a valid Commercial Matsutake Permit.

Permit Types & Fees:

- **Day-Use Permit:** $8 per day. Minimum permit purchase price is $20. If quantity does not meet the minimum, an administrative fee will be added to compensate for the difference to equal the $20 minimum.) Days do not need to be consecutive.
- **Half-Season Permit:** $100 (Valid for up to 31 days, expiring on last day of season.)
- **Full-Season Permit:** $200 (Valid for entire season, expiring on last day of season.)

Free-Use Collection:

Free-use (personal) collection of Matsutake mushrooms is **not** permitted within any of the four participating forests.

Harvesting Regulations:

- Tools must not exceed 1 inch in width and 18 inches in length.
- Raking and ground disturbance are prohibited.
- Each harvester must:
  - Be 18 years or older
  - Have a valid permit in possession when harvesting
  - Carry a harvest area map

(Harvesting in the east half of the Fremont-Winema National Forest is prohibited.)

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Camping on the Deschutes National Forest:

All harvesters choosing to camp must stay at the Little Odell Industrial Camp. Camping space and services may be limited. Please contact the Crescent Ranger District for details.

Mushroom Buyers:

Anyone who wishes to operate a buying station on National Forest land must obtain a buyer's permit. **Contact the Crescent Ranger District for details.**

Areas Closed to Commercial Harvesting:

Matsutake collection is not allowed in the following areas:

- Crater Lake National Park
- Newberry National Volcanic Monument
- H.J. Andrews Experimental Forest
- Late Successional Reserves
- Research Natural Areas
- Wilderness Areas
- Developed Recreation Areas
- Other designated non-harvest zones

Additional Rules applied to the Umpqua & Willamette National Forests only:

1. Leave at least one-third of Matsutake mushroom caps in each area to release spores (FW-337).
2. Truffle harvesting is not permitted.
3. No commercial collection is allowed in Late-Successional Reserves or riparian areas (streams, ponds, or wetland areas).

Other Important Notes:

- Harvesting on state lands or other privately owned lands requires a separate permit from the State of Oregon or landowner/s and may be subject to fire-related closures.
- Motorized travel for mushroom collection is restricted to open roads shown on Mushroom Harvest Maps and Motor Vehicle Use Maps only.
