

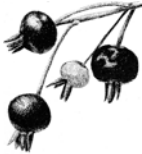
CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

RARE TROPICAL FRUIT CONFERENCE

JULY 10, 11, 12 & 13, 2008

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Fruit & Spice Park



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Wednesday
July 9

Registration 9-5 at the Fruit & Spice Park. Pre-conference, all day self-guided nursery and farm tour of the Redland Area. Instructions will be given during registration at the Park Wednesday morning.

Thursday
July 10

9 AM, Meet at the Fruit & Spice Park, 10 AM, USDA at Chapman Field Tour and lunch (Lunch Provided). 1:30 PM until 3 PM, Montgomery Foundation. 4 PM, Propagation workshop hosted by Pine Island Nursery. Dinner on your own. 6 PM, Explore the Fruit & Spice Park in the cool of the evening.

Friday

9 AM, Meet at the Fruit & Spice Park. Tour: University of Florida TREC Station, Schnebly Winery, Private Estate and Robert is Here Fruit Stand. Box lunch provided. 5:30 PM, BBQ at the Fruit & Spice Park (cost included in the registration fee), Fruit & Spice Park Tour, Fruit Tasting Party. Evening speaker, Dr. Angela Kepler on "Ethnobotany of Pacific Food Plants". 9 PM, Late night at the park: Round Table Discussions hosted by Chris Rollins, Roger Meyer, and Crafton Clift.

Saturday
July 12

9 AM, Optional visit to **Mango Morning** Exhibit at Fairchild Tropical Garden (cost not included), Lunch on your own, 1:30 PM, Tour of the Kampong. 5:30 PM, Return to Park for evening activities as follows: Asian Banquet & Tropical Fruit Ice Cream (cost included in registration)
Tour the Fruit & Spice Park & Plant exchange.
Evening Speaker: TBA
Mango Tasting
Late Night at the Fruit & Spice Park, Question and Answer Session, ask the experts your questions.

Sunday
July 13

Speakers at the Agriculture Extension Office
9AM Dr Jonathan Crane, Florida, Professor University of Florida, "*Notes For Tropical Fruit Growers in South Florida*".
10:30 AM Break
10:45 AM Dr. Angela Kepler, Hawaii, "*Modern and Historic Bananas Varieties of the Pacific*".
11:45 AM Lunch (bring your own or order a sandwich in the morning before the speakers)
12:30 AM Chris Rollins, Florida, Fruit & Spice Park Manager, "*An Overview of Tropical Fruit Organizations in the Private Sector*".
1:00 PM Dr. Chusie Trisonthi, Chaingmai University, Thailand, "Rare Fruits of Thailand".
2:00 PM Break
3:00 PM Harri Lorenzi, Brazil, "Little Known Fruits of Brazil".
4:00 PM Conference Ends