03.10.2020

The mountain of Unsyu Mikan(Satsuma Mandarin) is unexpectedly warm and pleasant during the day, but it doesn't get cold until 4 o'clock. Usually I will not be in the mountain until this time, but since I'm receiving a new seedling tomorrow, I had helped to prepare to plant it. (determine the location, plow, and ready the soil)

03.25.2020

The second-year seedlings I had ordered have arrived. The seedlings seem to be growing in the rice fields, and the soil quality is different from the Mikan garden. Tomorrow, we will plant 20 of them in the morning.

03.27.2020

I am impressed by the wonderful seedlings! I immediately washed the roots with water and planted them one by one.



04.01.2020

I wish it would have rained today. The pollen in the air made it hard to work. The seedlings were planted yesterday. From now on, there are various operations such as periodically spreading liquid fertilizer and branching, so if you plant them together like this, you can work efficiently. It won't be in the shade of a big tree, and it will grow slowly.



04.08.2020

At this time, the difference in tree recovery is obvious. Despite 2 years ago, a tree that has a lot of fruit that has been working hard for more than 30 years (a so-called old tree) has not yet recovered. Even if I look at it, I think "somehow the color of the leaves are different".

05.13.2020

Although it was in a state of "waiting for you" due to the rain every day of the blooming season, I was able to find a flower that was blooming and inviting the long expected nice weather. In April, the temperature was rising all at once, so is this year's flowering season going to be earlier than usual? Or will it be about the same?



05.24.2020

A lot of leaf buds were attached to the tree replanted on March 3rd. When it was just replanted, it looked like a dead tree and looked suspicious.



05.30.2020

Is it just 30% in bloom? The leaf buds are already growing. Her smile is also perfect as it is surrounded by the fragrance of Mikan flowers.



06.15.2020

Leaf buds came out again from the beginning of May. In the year when many flowers bloom like this year, nourishment flows into the flower buds, making it difficult to grow the leaf buds. (Leaf buds will be the reserve army next year!) I have been working vigorously, but I am relieved that the leaf buds came out more than I expected.



06.09.2020

The Mikan garden on the west side is where the sea breeze hits. Because the root was too stretched and the sun was getting worse, I decided to cut about 50cm. The sun and the view are amazing.



06.29.2020

Do you see the color difference of the young fruit? The darker fruit grows well. The yellowish fruit falls naturally (this is called the first physiological fall). Of course, it will fall off with the slighest touch.



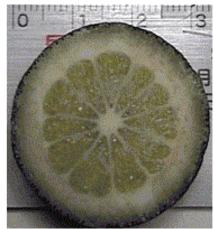
07.18.2020

Our Farm is mostly facing south. Now, since the sunshine hours are long, the leaves are wrapped like this. This seems to be evidence that the photosynthesis is sufficient and the state of the Mikan tree is good. It looks like we can make delicious Mikan oranges this year.



07.30.2020

The fruit juice are beginning to be made. When I squeezed it, it was still sour! Currently the sugar content is 6 degrees Brix. The target Brix is 12 degrees. As it grows, the sugar content will increase and the acidity will decrease, making it a delicious orange.



08.19.2020

Apparently, the Shikoku region seems to have ended in the rainy season today. From now on, the work of laying Tyvek seats will stop.

The sun is finally dazzling in the summer and the Tyvek light reflection is also dazzling.



08.30.2020

Tyvek has been laid in the intense heat for over 30° C for the past two weeks. Finally, 70% of the schedule has been completed. This is a covering method called "tree trunk mulch", and the Tyvek is placed between the stocks. The image is a covering method called "complete multi".



09.07.2020

I picked up one or two containers per tree. We will collect the ones with bad fat and scratches.

The Unsyu Mikan(Satsuma mandarin) are packed in a box and received by many people. Since it will not rain, you may have to irrigate soon.



09.17.2020

The outer skin is thin and full of juice. We leave the Mikan on the trees to ripe for about 50 days until the harvest.



09.29.2020

The picking of Unsyu Mikan is a little late, and there are a few large fruits. By the end of October, the fruits will be picked.

10.03.2020

In the morning and evening, the temperature has become chilly, but the sun is facing south, so it's cheerful to sweat all day long. Without this cooling, Satsuma Mandarin oranges will not color, and without this cheerfulness, the sugar content will not increase. We had started harvesting from very early in the morning. Our eldest son in 4th grade elementary school also helped us for the first time this season.

10.13.2020

The Orange is 90% colored.

The Sugar content is 14 degree Brix. This year, we decided to havest them on October 26. That's earlier than usual.

Unsyu Mikan are 60% colored. (This is also earlier than usual!) The whole mountain will soon be dyed orange.



One day of Young Mrs.

- 1.AM 6:00: Waking up
- 2.Making breakfast, and lunch, and see off the eldest son and eldest daughter.
- 3.Send off the second son to the kindergarten and go to the mountain filled with Mikan
- 4.AM8:20 Starts picking Mikan.
- 5. Sorting and shipping.
- 6.Dinner preparation, tidying up, washing.
- 7.PM10:15 Write a daily report to the moutain and go to bed.



10.18.2020

Three weeks after, the early harvesting began. Every other Mikan had been picked up and only Chibimaru (different type of Mandarin Orange) is left behind. They are ripe as trees.

Today the Chibimaru was shining in the sun. 10 days left until the Chibimaru harvest.



10.22.2020

Picking Unsyu Mikans(Satsuma Mandarin), snapping them with scissors, filling our basket in no time!



10.30.2020

The Harvesting is now almost complete, and it is finally the last drive.

This year, the color is early and the sunny days continued during the harvest period. The harvest ends in 15 days. A week earlier than last year.



11.01.2020

The Mikan tree after harvesting Unsyu Mikan. The lively scenery of a mountain filled with oranges returns to a green color.

The selection is waiting for you to make sure there are no scratches.



11.05.2020

It's the end of harvesting for the Unsyu Mikan.

The staff has worked hard for 2 months. I was blessed with the weather and it was a really fun harvesting with a lot of joy and laughter.

