

Chinese citrus season comes to an end

The sales of Chinese oranges and tangerines are slowing down in April as this year's citrus season is coming to an end. Production areas have completely sold out their supply of Shatang oranges. And late-season Orah, Chunjian, and Maogu tangerines are gradually approaching the end of their season as well. Sales have completely stopped in Liuzhou, Laibin, and Guilin in Guangxi. The remaining supply is gathered in Nanning and Wuzhou in Guangxi, as well as in Sichuan and Yunnan. Looking back on this season shows that the market conditions of Shatang oranges did not reach the same standards as last year. Furthermore, the overall market conditions for late-season varieties were depressed.

The 2018-19 retail season showed a slight price increase for top-quality products from superior production areas. At the same time, while the market polarized, medium- to low-quality products encountered difficult retail conditions. In recent years, citrus products reached the status of "luxury products" and farmers quickly responded with an expansion of the surface area devoted to citrus plantation. The market was unable to absorb this sudden increase in supply volume, which is ultimately the reason for the current polarization in the Chinese citrus market.

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