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| Orchard design  Each orchard consisted of 49 peach trees arranged in a 7×7 design. The central 5×5 trees (represented as dark squares) were used in the trials, while surrounding border rows (white squares) ensured that the trees in the middle are subjected to similar environmental conditions. Treatments were arranged in a Latin square design. | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | |