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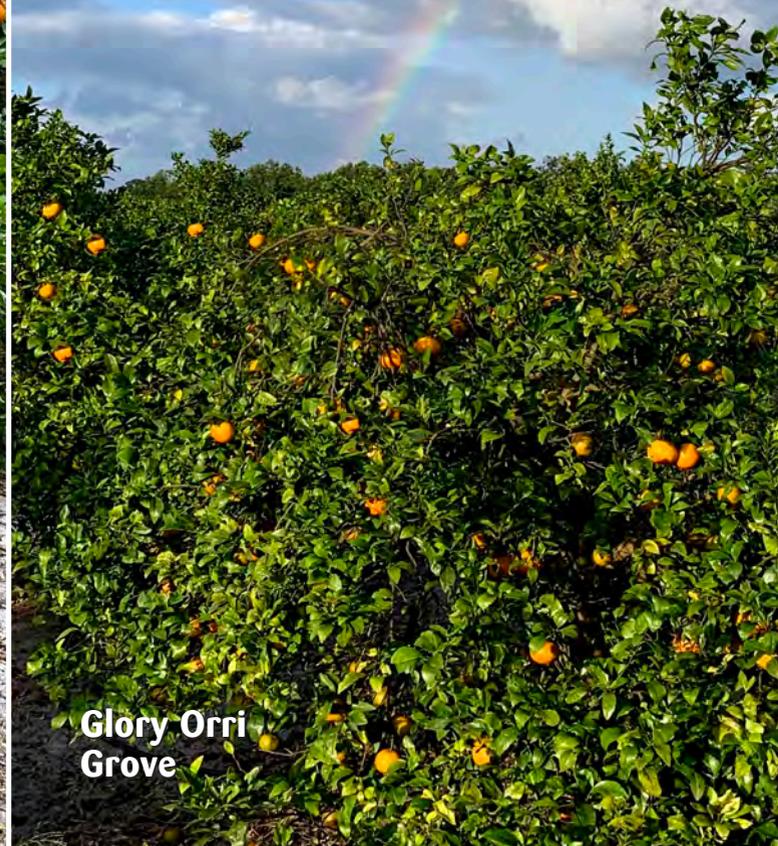
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**Matt checking
the honeybells**

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by Jeff Schorner, owner

Our most frequently asked questions at Al's lately are:

#1: Are the new **Glory Orris** still available for shipping?

#2: When may I expect the **Honeybells** to arrive?

Answers:

#1: Glory Orris are still available for shipping. They're our newest, **easy peeling**, super-sweet & juicy, **Mandarin Oranges**. They're locally grown and best of all - **virtually seedless!** Can you tell we're proud of them? **Glory Orris are a huge hit in our store and are in their prime for shipping now through January.** We're currently shipping **Glory Orris, Navels and Ruby Red Grapefruit** and just getting started shipping **Honeybells** every day except Sunday.

#2: Honeybells are maturing at a bit slower pace than last year since the **trees bloomed a little later this spring than the spring prior.** We are harvesting a few now but I expect to ramp it up and give the green light by mid-January. Since a few trees bloomed early they are ready to harvest now so some who ordered early may start receiving them. However, those of you who ordered after mid-December, **please BE PATIENT** as we simply cannot rush nature's ripening schedule. We must wait until the whole crop ripens before harvesting and shipping really kicks into full swing. Rest assured, my son Matt and I are out checking the **Honeybell** crops everyday and we will keep you updated as the harvest ramps up. Again, thanks for your patience and remembering we're still a small, family farm.

I know you want your fruit early but you don't want "early" fruit so we have to let our **Honeybells** ripen first, then ship as quickly as this family farm can without compromising on quality. **Unlike Amazon, we can only go as fast as fruit quality and careful packing allows.**

Good News – Our local **Navel oranges, Ruby Red Grapefruit** and **Glory Orris**'s are fully tree-ripened so they ship out faster than **Honeybells** that are just ripening up.

That's all for now and may God Bless you with the gift of good health!

