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Field pea blackspot risk forecast for South Australia

Field Pea Blackspot Risk Forecast is a location and season specific weekly forecast. It accounts for varietal resistance and chemical options, agronomic yield potentials, agronomic constraints (frost and terminal drought), risks of spore showers, disease severity, and disease related yield loss. It then weighs agronomic yield loss and disease yield loss and suggests a window of sowing dates.

This prediction is based on DPIRD's Blackspot Manager model using weather data from 1 January 2026 to 3 May 2026 from the nearest weather station.

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Sowing time can depend on a range of factors and it is recommended to consult an agronomist to determine the optimal sowing window for your situation. For more information on blackspot in South Australia contact Mohsen Khani at SARDI on +61 (8) 8429 2285 or email mohsen.khani@sa.gov.au.

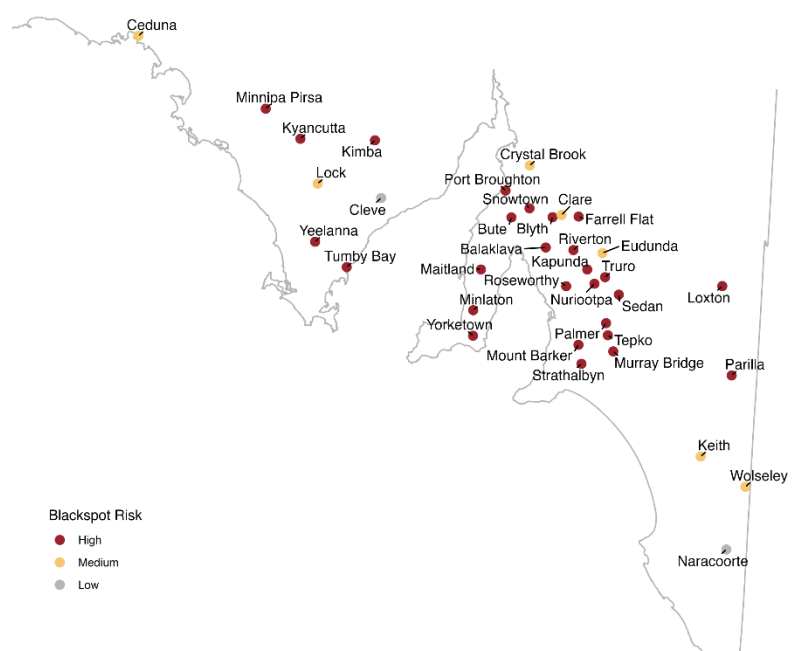
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Key to blackspot severity scores

The aim is to delay sowing of field pea crops, where agronomically possible, until the majority of blackspot spores (approximately 60%) have been released prior to the crop emergence. This strategy reduces yield losses from blackspot.

Map showing the relative current risk of spores based upon blackspot model outputs for various location in South Australia, 4 May 2026.



Blackspot risk	Spores released (%)	Range of yield loss for different levels of blackspot risk (%)
Low	60 - 100	2 - 15
Medium	30 - 59	20 - 35
High	0 - 29	25 - 50

Note. Locations have been listed A-Z

Balaklava

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 88.7 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 32

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	15%	29%	46%
Blackspot risk	High	High	Medium

Blyth

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 102.8 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 35

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	21%	36%	53%
Blackspot risk	High	Medium	Medium

Bute

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 144.4 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 31

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	13%	17%	31%
Blackspot risk	High	High	Medium

Ceduna

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 157.2 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 41

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	34%	48%	64%
Blackspot risk	Medium	Medium	Low

Clare

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 137.6 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 40

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	31%	48%	64%
Blackspot risk	Medium	Medium	Low

Cleve

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 137.5 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 54

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	64%	75%	86%
Blackspot risk	Low	Low	Low

Crystal Brook

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 94.2 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 40

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	31%	48%	64%
Blackspot risk	Medium	Medium	Low

Eudunda

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 109 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 42

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	36%	41%	57%
Blackspot risk	Medium	Medium	Medium

Farrell Flat

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 100.4 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 38

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	27%	43%	59%
Blackspot risk	High	Medium	Medium

Kapunda

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 61.3 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 27

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	7%	19%	34%
Blackspot risk	High	High	Medium

Keith

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 100.8 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 43

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	38%	55%	70%
Blackspot risk	Medium	Medium	Low

Kimba

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 126 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 29

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	10%	23%	38%
Blackspot risk	High	High	Medium

Kyancutta

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 152.9 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 34

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
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Spores released	19%	31%	48%
Blackspot risk	High	Medium	Medium

Lock

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 132.8 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 41

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	34%	48%	64%
Blackspot risk	Medium	Medium	Low

Loxton

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 169.9 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 35

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	21%	36%	53%
Blackspot risk	High	Medium	Medium

Maitland

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 134 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 32

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	15%	29%	46%
Blackspot risk	High	High	Medium

Minlaton

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 75.9 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 39

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	29%	43%	59%
Blackspot risk	High	Medium	Medium

Minnipa PIRSA

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 234.5 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 39

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	29%	43%	59%
Blackspot risk	High	Medium	Medium

Mount Barker

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 102.6 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 30

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	12%	25%	41%
Blackspot risk	High	High	Medium

Murray Bridge

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 139.4 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 33

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	17%	21%	36%
Blackspot risk	High	High	Medium

Naracoorte

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 158.4 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 54

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	62%	75%	86%
Blackspot risk	Low	Low	Low

Nuriootpa

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 78.2 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 29

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
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Spores released	10%	23%	38%
Blackspot risk	High	High	Medium

Palmer

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 80.4 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 26

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	6%	9%	21%
Blackspot risk	High	High	High

Parilla

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 94.8 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 37

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	25%	41%	57%
Blackspot risk	High	Medium	Medium

Port Broughton

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 118.3 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 33

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	17%	31%	48%
Blackspot risk	High	Medium	Medium

Riverton

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 98.4 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 36

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	23%	27%	43%
Blackspot risk	High	High	Medium

Roseworthy

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 66.2 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 29

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	10%	23%	38%
Blackspot risk	High	High	Medium

Sedan

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 84.7 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 33

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	17%	31%	48%
Blackspot risk	High	Medium	Medium

Snowtown

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 132.2 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 31

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	13%	27%	43%
Blackspot risk	High	High	Medium

Strathalbyn

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 68.8 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 29

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	10%	13%	27%
Blackspot risk	High	High	High

Tepko

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 88.8 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 28

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
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Spores released	9%	12%	25%
Blackspot risk	High	High	High

Truro

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 89.9 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 37

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	25%	29%	46%
Blackspot risk	High	High	Medium

Tumby Bay

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 94.8 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 35

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	21%	36%	53%
Blackspot risk	High	Medium	Medium

Wolseley

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 98.7 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 46

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	46%	62%	75%
Blackspot risk	Medium	Low	Low

Yeelanna

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 100.8 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 36

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	23%	38%	55%
Blackspot risk	High	Medium	Medium

Yorketown

Last date used for prediction: 3 May 2026

Rainfall to date: 75.9 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 29

Forecast for crops sown on	4 May	10 May	17 May
Spores released	10%	23%	38%
Blackspot risk	High	High	Medium

More information

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