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Field pea blackspot risk forecast for Western 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 1st January 2026 to 19 April 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.

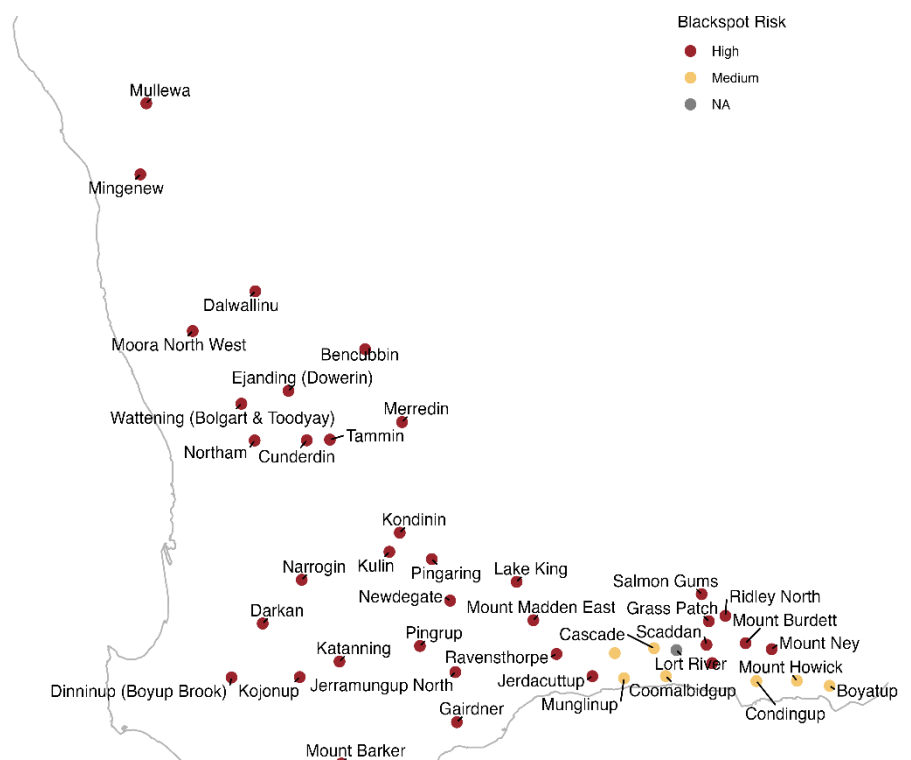
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Key to blackspot severity scores

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 WA, 20 April 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

Bencubbin

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 86.4 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 16

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	0% spores released - blackspot risk high	1% spores released - blackspot risk high	5% spores released - blackspot risk high
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Boyatup

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 122 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 41

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	34% spores released - blackspot risk medium	38% spores released - blackspot risk medium	55% spores released - blackspot risk medium
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Cascade

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 115.6 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 41

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	34% spores released -	38% spores released -	55% spores released -

	blackspot risk medium	blackspot risk medium	blackspot risk medium
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Condingup

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 123.8 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 40

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	31% spores released - blackspot risk medium	36% spores released - blackspot risk medium	53% spores released - blackspot risk medium
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Coomalbidgup

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 123.2 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 44

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	41% spores released - blackspot risk medium	55% spores released - blackspot risk medium	70% spores released - blackspot risk low
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Too early to sow before 10 May

Cunderdin

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 60.6 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 15

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	0% spores released - blackspot risk high	0% spores released - blackspot risk high	4% spores released - blackspot risk high
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Dalwallinu

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 70.2 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 16

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	0% spores released - blackspot risk high	1% spores released - blackspot risk high	5% spores released - blackspot risk high
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Darkan

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 81.9 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 18

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	1% spores released - blackspot risk high	4% spores released - blackspot risk high	13% spores released - blackspot risk high
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Dinninup (Boyup Brook)

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 77.4 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 11

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	0% spores released - blackspot risk high	0% spores released - blackspot risk high	0% spores released - blackspot risk high
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Ejanding (Dowerin)

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 78.8 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 16

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
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Spores released and blackspot risk	0% spores released - blackspot risk high	1% spores released - blackspot risk high	5% spores released - blackspot risk high
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Esperance Downs

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 122.8 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 34

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	17% spores released - blackspot risk high	21% spores released - blackspot risk high	36% spores released - blackspot risk medium
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Gairdner

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 45.8 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 19

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	1% spores released - blackspot risk high	2% spores released - blackspot risk high	9% spores released - blackspot risk high
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Grass Patch

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 167.6 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 39

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	27% spores released - blackspot risk high	31% spores released - blackspot risk medium	48% spores released - blackspot risk medium
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Jerdacuttup

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 93.8 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 38

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	27% spores released - blackspot risk high	31% spores released - blackspot risk medium	48% spores released - blackspot risk medium
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Jerramungup North

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 55.4 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 34

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	19% spores released - blackspot risk high	23% spores released - blackspot risk high	38% spores released - blackspot risk medium
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Katanning

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 55.4 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 34

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	0% spores released - blackspot risk high	0% spores released - blackspot risk high	0% spores released - blackspot risk high
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Kojonup

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 63.5 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 11

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	0% spores released - blackspot risk high	0% spores released - blackspot risk high	1% spores released - blackspot risk high
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Kondinin

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 46.7 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 22

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	3% spores released - blackspot risk high	5% spores released - blackspot risk high	15% spores released - blackspot risk high
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Kulin

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 47.8 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 22

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	3% spores released - blackspot risk high	5% spores released - blackspot risk high	15% spores released - blackspot risk high
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Lake King

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 69 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 34

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	19% spores released - blackspot risk high	23% spores released - blackspot risk high	38% spores released - blackspot risk medium

Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow
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Merredin

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 94.6 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 19

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	1% spores released - blackspot risk high	2% spores released - blackspot risk high	9% spores released - blackspot risk high
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Mingenew

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 61 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 24

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	4% spores released - blackspot risk high	6% spores released - blackspot risk high	17% spores released - blackspot risk high
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Moora North West

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 44.2 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 15

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	0% spores released - blackspot risk high	0% spores released - blackspot risk high	4% spores released - blackspot risk high
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Mount Burdett

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 97.8 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 38

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	27% spores released - blackspot risk high	31% spores released - blackspot risk medium	48% spores released - blackspot risk medium
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Mount Howick

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 127.4 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 40

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	31% spores released - blackspot risk medium	36% spores released - blackspot risk medium	53% spores released - blackspot risk medium
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Mount Madden East

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 62.4 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 32

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	15% spores released - blackspot risk high	19% spores released - blackspot risk high	34% spores released - blackspot risk medium
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Mount Ney

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 104.8 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 39

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	29% spores released - blackspot risk high	34% spores released -	50% spores released -

		blackspot risk medium	blackspot risk medium
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Mt Barker

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 110.6 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 36

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	23% spores released - blackspot risk high	27% spores released - blackspot risk high	43% spores released - blackspot risk medium
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Mullewa

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 95.7 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 17

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	0% spores released - blackspot risk high	1% spores released - blackspot risk high	6% spores released - blackspot risk high
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Munglinup

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 130.4 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 46

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	46% spores released - blackspot risk medium	50% spores released - blackspot risk medium	66% spores released - blackspot risk low
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Too early to sow before 10 May

Munglinup West

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 130.4 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 46

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	34% spores released - blackspot risk medium	38% spores released - blackspot risk medium	55% spores released - blackspot risk medium
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Narrogin

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 53.3 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 20

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	2% spores released - blackspot risk high	4% spores released - blackspot risk high	13% spores released - blackspot risk high
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Newdegate

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 71.2 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 26

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	6% spores released - blackspot risk high	9% spores released - blackspot risk high	21% spores released - blackspot risk high
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Northam

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 84 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 16

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
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Spores released and blackspot risk	0% spores released - blackspot risk high	1% spores released - blackspot risk high	5% spores released - blackspot risk high
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Pingaring

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 57.2 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 18

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	1% spores released - blackspot risk high	2% spores released - blackspot risk high	7% spores released - blackspot risk high
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Pingrup

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 42.9 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 23

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	3% spores released - blackspot risk high	5% spores released - blackspot risk high	15% spores released - blackspot risk high
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Ravensthorpe

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 89 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 35

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	21% spores released - blackspot risk high	25% spores released - blackspot risk high	41% spores released - blackspot risk medium
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Ridley North

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 137.8 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 37

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	25% spores released - blackspot risk high	29% spores released - blackspot risk high	46% spores released - blackspot risk medium
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Salmon Gums

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 143.4 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 40

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	29% spores released - blackspot risk high	34% spores released - blackspot risk medium	50% spores released - blackspot risk medium
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Scaddan

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 135 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 40

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	27% spores released - blackspot risk high	31% spores released - blackspot risk medium	48% spores released - blackspot risk medium
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Tammin

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 53.9 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 16

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	0% spores released - blackspot risk high	1% spores released - blackspot risk high	5% spores released - blackspot risk high
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

Wattening (Bolgart & Toodyay)

Last date used for prediction: 19 April 2026

Rainfall to date: 51.6 mm

Days with significant stubble moisture: 16

Forecast for crops sown on	20 Apr	26 Apr	3 May
Spores released and blackspot risk	0% spores released - blackspot risk high	1% spores released - blackspot risk high	5% spores released - blackspot risk high
Sowing guide (based on agronomic suitability)	Do not sow	Do not sow	Do not sow

More information

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