

Ken Schramm's Honey/Mead Flavor and Aroma Descriptors

Acetone
Acidic
Alcoholic
Antiseptic
Artificial
Band-Aid
Bitter
Bubble Gum
Burnt
Butter
Butterscotch
Caramel
Cardboard
Chalk
Charcoal
Chocolate
 Dark, Milk, Cheap, Expensive
Cocoa
Coffee
Conifer/Pine
 Cedar
 Pine Wood
 Pine Resin
 Spruce
 Juniper
 Yew
Dried fruit
 Dates
 Prunes
 Raisins
Dry
Dry Cleaner Fluid
Earthy
 Barnyard
 Dirt
 Mulch
 Musky
 Peaty
Floral
 Apple Blossom
 Chamomile
 Carnation
 Cherry Blossom
 Clover

Desert Wildflower
Eastern Meadow
Geranium
Heather
Hibiscus
Lavender
Lilac
Lilly
Orange Blossom
Peony
Poppy
Rose
Western Meadow
Wildflower

Fruity

Apple

Green Apple
Delicious, Mac, Granny Smith, Gravenstein, Jonathon (etc.)
Overripe apple
Apple skin

Apricot

Banana (green, ripe and overripe)

Berry

Currant
Elderberry
Blackberry
Black Raspberry
Blueberry
Marion berry
Raspberry
Strawberry

Cherry (sweet, sour, black, Ranier, etc)

Citrus

Grapefruit
Lemon
Lime
Orange
Orange Peel
Tangerine

Grape

Table/juice grapes: Concord, Niagara, (Vitis labrusca)
Wine grapes: Riesling, Chardonnay, Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, etc.
(Vitis vinifera)
Grape Skins
Muscat

Guava

Kiwi
Mango
Melon
 Musk
 Cantaloupe
 Honeydew Melon
 Watermelon
Nectarine
Papaya
Peach
Pear
Persimmon
Pineapple
Plum
Prickly Pear
Quince
Rhubarb
Tomato
Gassy
Grainy
 Malted Barley
 Crystal Malt
 Pale Malt
 Vienna Malt
 Oats
 Rice
 Rye
 Wheat
 Wheat Malt
Grass
Hay
Herbal
 Dill
 Lemon Balm
 Lemon Grass
 Licorice
 Marshmallow
 Minty
 Peppermint
 Spearmint
 Wintergreen
 Sage
 Sandalwood
 Sarsaparilla
 Southernwood
Honey

Incense
Leather
Listerine
Maple-syrup
Meadow (Spring, Summer, Fall)
Meaty
 Beef, pork
 Cured Meat (bologna, salami)
Medicinal
Molasses
Musty
Nutty
 Almond
 Cashew
 Brazil Nut
 Hazelnut
 Hickory
 Macadamia
 Peanut/Peanut Butter
 Pecan
 Pistachio
 Walnut
Paper
Pasta
 Raw
 Cooked
Perfume(d)
Phenol
Rubber
Salty
Skunk
Smoke
Spicy
 Allspice
 Anise
 Black Pepper
 Cardamom
 Cinnamon
 Cloves
 Coriander
 Cumin
 Curry
 Ginger
 Juniper berry
 Lemon Grass
 Nutmeg

Pepper
Saffron
Thyme
Sulfur
Sweet
Tangy
Tannin/Tannic
Tar
Tart
Tea leaves
Treacle
Toasty
Tobacco
Vanilla
Vegetal
 Avocado
 Beans
 Beet
 Cabbage
 Carrot
 Celery
 Chick pea
 Chive
 Corn
 Cooked
 Raw
 Corn Silk
 Garlic
 Green Pepper
 Leeks
 Lettuce
 Okra
 Olive
 Onion
 Peas
 Rutabaga
 Spinach
 Squash
 Tomato
 Water chestnut
Vinegary
Woody
 Apple wood
 Bark/twigs
 (oak, willow, maple, etc.)
 Birch

Cherry
Hickory
Maple
Mesquite
Oak
Yeasty

Non-Flavor Descriptors (Impressions)

Abrupt	Flat	Reticent
Abstruse	Fleeting	Ribald
Adolescent	Flinty	Rich
Ambitious	Flirtatious	Robust
Angular	Flowing	Rough
Artificial	Focused	Rounded
Artisanal	Foreboding	Sauntering
Assertive	Fun	Scratchy
Attention grabbing	Functional	Sere
Authoritative	Gentle	Short
Balanced	Glaring	Simple
Beefy	Harmonic/Harmonious	Singular
Blossoming	Heavy	Smooth
Bold	Impetuous	Soft
Broad	Inaccessible	Sparse
Brooding	Indescribable	Spindly
Cantankerous	Inhibited	Spunky
Chewy	Intense	Stilted
Closed	Jaded	Stingy
Cloying	Lazy	Strapping
Coarse	Light	Structured
Complex	Lingering	Symphonic
Corpulent	Long	Tense
Coy	Loose-knit	Tepid
Difficult	Masculine	Thick
Discordant	Mature	Thin
Dry	Mouth-filling	Toothsome
Easy	Multi-faceted	Unabashed
Ebullient	Muscular	Unapologetic
Effervescent	Narrow	Unctuous
Emphatic	Nebulous	Underachieving
Endearing	Obtuse	Under-attenuated
Evanescent	Open	Understated
Exemplary	Over-attenuated	Uniform
Explosive	Overstated	Voluminous
Extreme	Overt	Whacked out
Extraordinary	Perfume(d)	Wild
Fastidious	Powerful	Winsome
Fine	Pubescent	Wooly
Firm	Pungent	Young
Flaccid	Rambunctious	Youthful
Flamboyant	Rancorous	Zesty
	Raw	Zingy