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Trellis Systems, Pruning, and Training

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Frontenac grapevines trained (from left to right) high-wire cordon, mid-wire cordon with VSP, Geneva double curtain, and Smart Dyson in the Iowa Northern Grapes training system trial.

Photo: Paul Domto

A major component of any vineyard management system is training and pruning vines in a manner that is appropriate for the cultivar, location, and production goals, among other factors. And, a well-constructed trellis system is critical to support the vines, regardless of the training system that's chosen. While much of the research being conducted by the *Northern Grapes Project* Viticulture Team focuses on vineyard management practices and how they affect yield and fruit quality, this issue of *News You Can Use* includes links to three past webinars and one newsletter article that focus on the basics of trellising, pruning, and training.

- *Nuts and Bolts of Canopy Management* by Mike White and Tim Martinson. Northern Grapes Project Webinar, February 14, 2012. <http://youtu.be/eBGfmsSVJsM>
- *Trellis Design and Construction and Pruning Fundamentals Prior to Your First Cut* by Steve Lerch and Mike White. Northern Grapes Project Webinar, November 20, 2014. <http://youtu.be/k88CbR1FDXI>
- *Comparing and Contrasting Vertical Shoot Positioning and Top Wire Cordon Training Systems* by Tim Martinson, John Thull, and Bob Utter. Northern Grapes Project Webinar, February 10, 2015. <https://youtu.be/FVLRaOCzQ5E>
- *Training Systems for Grapevines* by Paul Domoto. Northern Grapes News, Vol. 3 Issue 3, p. 8-11. <http://northerngrapesproject.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/2014SeptNGnewsletter.pdf>

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