

Last year's inaugural backyard sugar shack was a success so we're ramping up production for season two. We received 10 new buckets from Aline's folks as a Christmas present and we purchased five more of our own so we have 15 buckets ready to go this year . . .

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title="Maple Syrup 2011" type="line_dotted" x_legend="Maple syrup season ran from Monday March 14 to Saturday April 9" y_legend="Temperatures and Litres" x_label_rotate="300" y_step="10" y_min="-10" legend=" Evening low, Daytime high, Litres of sap collected" line charts: tooltip="On #x_label#: #y# litres of sap and hi-low temperatures "

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Noteworthy					
Date	Notes				
Monday March 14	Sap starts to drip!				
Wednesday March 16	Oh no! We burnt 8 litres of sap and the stockpot. Bummer.				
Friday March 18	Flooding in our basement window well! Bailing every hour at minimum . . .				
Wednesday March 23	Picked up new 12 quart stockpot to replace the one that was burned. \$15 purchase				
Thursday March 31	66 litres of sap collected. We had to give some away.				
Wednesday April 6	Whoa! Season ain't over yet. Over Thursday and Friday as the temperatures soared and we hit new highs of sap collected - we ended up giving away over 200 litres of sap to Paul and Chris and Aline's folks as we couldn't keep up with the flow.				