

Folklore: Woolly worms can predict winter conditions

By Weather Channel

Before there were modern weather forecasters, there were persimmons and woolly worms. Old folklore says that the seeds inside of the fruit and the appearance of the worms will tell you what to expect in the winter.

As ABC11 explains, when it comes to persimmons, tradition says if you slice the seed of the fruit in half, the type of utensil shape you see inside will show you how the winter will be in your area.

When using woolly bear caterpillars, better known as woolly worms, to predict the weather, tradition says the width of the brown band on the worm is key, according to KSPR. If the band on the worm is narrow, it will be a harsh winter. If the worm has a wider band, there's a milder winter coming.

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