



AZILDA GREENHOUSES

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1 Million Acts of Green

APHIDS

Aphids come in a variety of colours.
Nymphs and adults suck juices from plants.
The feeding causes bud, flower and leaf distortion.
Aphids secrete a honeydew that can cause sooty mold.



Control:

- ▶ Spray frequently with a stream of water to wash aphids off plants
- ▶ Attract **native predators** by planting pollen bearing and nectar plants
- ▶ Use homemade **garlic sprays** on plants
 - 10 cloves of garlic peeled and mixed with 1 litre of water
 - blended for 30 seconds
 - use spray on plant leaves to discourage feeders!
- ▶ Spray with **insecticidal soap**
- ▶ Spray with **Neem or Pyrethrins**
- ▶ Use **Dormant Oil** on fruit & shade trees early in the spring to kill overwintering pests

REFERENCES

- ▶ Bugs, Slugs and Other Thugs Controlling Garden Pests Organically By Rhonda Massingham Hart
- ▶ How to get your Lawn and Garden Off Drugs - Pesticide free gardening for a healthier environment. By Carole Rubin
- ▶ Rodale – The Organic Gardeners Handbook of Natural Insect and Disease Control
 - A complete Problem Solving Guide to Keeping Your Garden and Yard Healthy without Chemicals.
 - Edited by Barbara W. Ellis and Fern Marshall Bradley
- ▶ Botanix Plant Protection Centre.
- ▶ Suggestions from Garden Centre Customers