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Horticultural Oil Suffocates and Repels Insects Without Dangerous Chemicals

Horticultural oils have been used for years to control insect pests and mites on dormant trees and woody ornamental shrubs. With the introduction of new, lighter-weight horticultural oils, homeowners and gardeners can now use horticultural spray oils to kill and repel insects on virtually all types of plants throughout the year.

Unlike many other pesticides that kill insects with toxic chemicals, horticultural oil literally smothers insects to death. The oil spray blocks an insect's air holes (called spiracles) through which the insect breathes, causing it to die from asphyxiation.

The original horticultural oils, also known as dormant oils, do a great job of killing insect pests. Unfortunately, these oils are harmful to plant foliage so they can be used only on dormant trees and woody plants. A new generation of lighter, more highly refined horticultural oils, commonly called summer oils, kills insects but won't damage plant foliage.

Year-Round® Spray Oil is a new horticultural oil that can be used any time during the year because it won't harm plant buds, shoots and leaves. This new, light-weight oil will effectively control pests on even the most sensitive plants, such as roses, impatiens, philodendrons and ferns. Year-Round Spray Oil is an environmentally responsible insecticide that kills a wide variety of insect pests including aphids, whiteflies, spider mites, mealybugs, scale, thrips, fungus gnats, certain caterpillars, leaf beetle larvae, lace bugs and others.

Because of its low toxicity, Year-Round Spray Oil can be used on garden plants and fruit trees right up to the day of harvest. The spray has no odor, and it can be used on trees,



Year-Round® Spray Oil is a new environmentally friendly, all-season horticultural oil that kills a wide variety of insect pests by literally suffocating them. Horticultural oil also helps prevent the spread of many plant diseases and helps fight powdery mildew. The handy hose-end sprayer bottle makes application easy.

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Year-Round Hose-End

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flowers, vegetable plants and indoors in greenhouses and on houseplants. Unlike other pesticides which can become less effective after repeated use, there is no known build-up of insect resistance to horticultural oil sprays.

Using Year-Round Spray Oil is quick and easy. Simply dilute the concentrate according to package instructions and apply an even spray on trees, shrubs, flowers and plants to kill and repel insect pests. Apply every seven to 14 days as needed to control insect pests. Year-Round Spray Oil also prevents the spread of viruses by aphids, and it helps control powdery mildew.

Year-Round Spray Oil concentrate is available in four different sizes. One pint in an easy-measure bottle (which makes 12.5 gallons of spray) sells for the suggested retail price of \$6.99. One quart in an easy-measure bottle (which makes 25 gallons of spray) sells for \$11.50. The one gallon jug of Year-Round Spray Oil concentrate (which makes 100 gallons of spray) sells for \$22.99. The handy one quart bottle with built-in hose-end sprayer sells for \$11.99.

Year-Round Spray Oil is available at Ace Hardware, True Value Hardware and other fine home centers, hardware stores, garden centers and mail order catalogs. For more information visit the website at www.summitchemical.com.



This one-quart size of Year-Round Spray Oil is packaged in an ingenious easy-measure bottle that lets you measure the correct amount of oil for diluting with water.