



The Greenhouse

Rita's Monthly Gardening Tip! August 2007 - Insects



August 2007 - Insects are part of the garden experience. Don't reach for the insecticide first. First you have to know what the problem is. Different insects need different control. For aphids, mealy bugs, scale and spider mites start by hosing off the insects as frequently as every day. This will dislodge them and make it difficult for them to get established.

Remember chemical insecticides don't just kill bad bugs they kill beneficial ones as well and then get washed into the water system causing a chain reaction of negative consequences on our entire environment. If you need help identifying an insect problem give me a call.