

FACEBOOK LIVE SEMINAR What's in Your Plant's Medicine Cabinet? - Garden Pharmacy Picks

Just like you stock your medicine cabinet with supplies for your health, plants have common issues and ailments that require some care as well. Every avid gardener, beginner to expert, deals with insects and critters that eat and disrupt our plants. Along with pest control, plants need care and help to grow to either produce fruits and veggies, grow efficiently, or even flower longer and more often. Join Mike Westphal, the Garden Guru for both solutions for plant pests as well as foods and fertilizers to help indoor and outdoor plants grow to their full potential. Just like humans, plants can get sick and have many different issues. Here are the Garden Guru's recommended items he keeps in his plants' medicine cabinet year-round, just in case.

INSECTICIDES

- Spinosad Soap by Natural Guard Fertilome -• Organic insecticide for various insects that eat our plants. Great for edible plants because it is organic. Works on both indoor and outdoor plants.
- Indoor/ Outdoor Spray by Fertilome -Aerosol spray that gets into the nooks and crannies of a plant's leaves to get rid of bugs efficiently and guickly. Great for lace bugs, spider mite, thrips, whiteflies and more.
- Hi-Yield Systemic Insect Granules Granular insecticide that you shake into the soil to make the plant itself poisonous. Don't use on flowering plants outdoors to make sure you don't hurt pollinating insects. Great for indoor plants and attacks a variety of pests.

- Aphid and Whitefly Traps/ Gnat Stix by **BioCare** – Yellow sticky paper to place into plants to attract insects and will get them stuck to the paper. Great for houseplants as well as any outdoor plant.
- Hi-Yield Bug Blaster Highly concentrated insecticide. Attacks harsher bugs like scorpions, black widows, and termites. If you have a big garden that needs a lot of care, this is a great product to use. Spray in the early morning or evening.

Pro Tip: If you are needing to spray a large area, you may need a hose end sprayer for your concentrated insecticides. Try our Chameleon Hose End Sprayer for efficient and easy spraying.

INSECTICIDES/FUNGICIDES

- **Triple Action Plus by Fertilome** Organic insecticide, fungicide, and miticide for various insects, fungus, and mites that eat our plants. Great for edible plants because it is organic. Works on both indoor and outdoor plants. #1 pick for the Garden Guru.
- Neem Oil by Natural Guard Fertilome - Organic oil from neem seeds. Works by suffocating insects and diseases. Make sure to coat the plant heavily with the insecticide.

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Horticultural Oil by Natural Guard Fertilome - Organic oil from canola oil designed for plants. Works by suffocating insects and diseases. Great for battling scale and even powdery mildew. Make sure to coat the plant heavily with the insecticide.

FUNGICIDES

- Liquid Systemic Fungicide by Fertilome Systemic insecticide for various black spot and powdery mildew. Works on ornamental outdoor plants. Do not use on edible plants.
- Monterey Complete Disease Control RTU - Organic fungicide that is great for preventing leaf spot. This product can be used on edible plants and indoor plants.

Pro Tip: Always read the labels of the garden products you are using for application instructions and interval of usage information.

HERBICIDES

- Killzall Quick by Hi-Yield Non-selective weed killer. Great for the spots in your driveway or around landscape edges.
- Non-Selective Grass and Weed Killer by Natural Guard Fertilome – Organic weed killing solution. Burns the foliage of weeds. Do not use on your edible plants.

- Weed Free Zone by Fertilome Organic weed killing solution. Great for lawn owners. Can be sprayed in temperatures above 45 degrees Fahrenheit and on any type of grass.
- Brush Killer and Stump Killer by Fertilome - Great for attacking more than weeds. Make sure to use it when the cut is new on the stump, vine, or other invasive plants that you are trying to get rid of.
- Turf & Ornamental Weed & Grass Stopper (Dimension) – Great for ornamental use when you are not seeding your lawn. Can be used in gravel driveways and flower beds. Do not use on your edible plants.
- Additional Tools -
- Seed Spreader
- Burgeon and Ball Weed Slice
- Additional grass seed
- Solo Basic Pump Sprayer

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REPELLANTS

- I Must Garden Animal Repellent Organic, safe product to repel animals from eating your plants. Works on squirrels, rabbits, deer, ground hogs, and other various herbivores.
- I Must Garden Deer Repellent Organic, safe product to repel animals from eating your plants. Targets deer specifically.
- Systemic Granular Repellent Great for plants that are ornamental. Easy application. Do not use on edible plants.

PLANT FOODS

- McDonald Garden Center Greenleaf Longlasting, slow-release granular plant food for both indoor and outdoor plants. Feeds for 2-3 months. Great addition to any plant you are potting up. Comes in regular (12-4-8) and organic (8-2-4).
- Shultz Plant Food 10-15-10 Liquid, water-in plant food. Great for indoor plant use.
- All Purpose Water Soluble Plant Food by Fertilome – 20-20-20 Liquid plant food that starts off as a powder. Mix with water to make into a liquid.
- Blooming & Rooting Soluble Plant Food by ۲ Fertilome – 9-58-8 Liquid plant food that starts off as a powder. Mix with water to make into a liquid. Extremely high in phosphorus for your outdoor blooming plants.

- Biotone Starter Plus by Espoma Organic and can work for any plant, indoor or outdoor. Works by establishing beneficial bacteria to your plant's roots when planting in the ground or in a pot.
- **SuperThrive** Vitamin supplement for plants. Takes the shock off of a plant especially if it is recovering from an ailment.

WATERING

- Zero G Hose by Teknor Apex
- Watering Wand by Dramm
- Watering can
- Misters
- Clay watering spike
- Plants Saver by Blumat

STAKING

- Terra Veerde Bamboo Stakes
- Rapi-Clip Stretch Tie

OTHER

- Bamboo Gardener Gardening Gloves
- Pruners and Snips by Dramm
- 3-in-1 Soil Master pH, light, and moisture meter
- Rooting Powder by Fertilome
- Measuring cup by Fertilome
- Day Spot Grow Light



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