

YEARLY MAINTENANCE

JANUARY – Let roses rest NO FERTILIZER

Let them go dormant with cold weather.

If a warm winter spray with dormant oil spray mixed with Lime-Sulphur to make roses go dormant. This helps prevent Downey mildew and fungus spores from reproducing.

FEBRUARY – Winter Prune Roses NOW

See “Winterizing your Rose Bushes Brochure”

MARCH – Monthly apply fertilizer, systemic insecticide under mulch and at dip line. Apply weed preventer on top of mulch. Water in the fertilizer, insecticide & weed preventer.

If Present spray weekly Insecticides & Fungicides:

Insects – **Flowers Thrips** Naturalyte or Orthene

Aphids – Orthene or Organocide

Spider Mites – Naturalyte or Orthene & wash leaves daily with water. Spider mites hate moist environment.

Fungus – **Downy Mildew** – Dithane M-45 & Copper

Powdery Mildew – Daconil

Dieback – prune out spray copper.

APRIL - Monthly apply fertilizer, systemic insecticide under mulch and at dip line. Apply weed preventer on top of mulch.

Water in the fertilizer, insecticide & weed preventer.

If Present spray weekly Insecticides & Fungicides:

Insects – **Flower Thrips** Naturalyte or Orthene

Aphids – Orthene or Organocide

Spider Mites – Naturalyte or Orthene & wash leaves daily with water. Spider mites hate moist environment.

Leaf Cutter Bee – Orthene

Beetles – Sevin Dust, Orthene, Naturalyte

Fungus – **Downy Mildew** – Dithane M-45 & Copper

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MAY - Monthly apply fertilizer, systemic insecticide under mulch and at dip line. Apply weed preventer on top of mulch.

Water in the fertilizer, insecticide & weed preventer. Apply Agricultural Limestone if Oak trees are present to continue to keep the pH between 6-7.

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Insects - **Aphids** – Orthene or Organocide

Spider Mites – Naturalyte or Orthene & wash leaves daily with water. Spider mites hate moist environment.

Boll Weevils – Orthene

Beetles – Sevin Dust, Orthene, Naturalyte

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Beetles – Sevin Dust, Orthene, Naturalyte

Chilli Thrips – Naturalyte or Orthene 2 times a week.

Fungus – **Black Spot** – strip & pick off all leaves spray

Dithane M-45 or Daconil.

JULY - Monthly apply fertilizer, systemic insecticide under mulch and at dip line. Apply weed preventer on top of mulch.

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SCHEDULE FOR ROSES

AUGUST - Monthly apply fertilizer, systemic insecticide under mulch and at dip line. Apply weed preventer on top of mulch. Water in the fertilizer, insecticide & weed preventer.

Re-establish roses now a drench of root stimulator,
**¼ cup Triple-Super Phosphate, 1 cup Bone Meal,
1 cup Limestone, ¼ Cup Minor Elements,
& 1 Teaspoon Calcium Nitrate.**

Light Pruning to shape rose bushes.

(For wet areas use 1 cup Gypsum)

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Chilli Thrips – Naturalyte or Orthene 2 times a week.

Fungus – **Black Spot** – strip & pick off all leaves spray

Dithane M- 45 or Daconil.

Dieback – prune out – spray copper.

SEPTEMBER - Monthly apply fertilizer, systemic insecticide under mulch and at dip line. Apply weed preventer on top of mulch. Water in the fertilizer, insecticide & weed preventer.

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Insects - **Aphids** – Orthene or Organocide

Spider Mites – Naturalyte or Orthene & wash leaves daily

Chilli Thrips – Naturalyte or Orthene 2 times a week.

Fungus – **Black Spot** – strip & pick off all leaves spray

Dithane M-45 or Daconil.

Powdery Mildew – Daconil

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Dithane M-45 or Daconil.

Powdery Mildew – Daconil

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Fungus – **Black Spot** – strip & pick off all leaves spray

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DECEMBER – **For the last time** - Monthly apply fertilizer, systemic insecticide under mulch and at dip line. Apply weed preventer on top of mulch. Water in the fertilizer, insecticide & weed preventer.

If Present spray weekly Fungicides:

Fungus – **Powdery Mildew** – Daconil

*** See Inside Pages “Rose Brochure” for alternating insecticides & fungicides for better control and so they won’t build up a resistance to the chemical that you are using weekly. Before spraying water rose leaves & soil. ***

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