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## Clematis Diseases

Informational table showing disease name, symptoms, pathogen/cause, and management of Clematis diseases.

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Disease	Symptoms	Pathogen/Cause	Management
Leaf spot	Large spots form on the leaves, become tan or black in color and may have a zonate pattern within them.	<i>Phoma</i> (formerly, <i>Ascochyta</i> ), <i>Botrytis</i> , <i>Cercospora</i> , <i>Cylindrosporium</i> , <i>Phyllosticta</i> , and <i>Septoria</i>	Ensure good air circulation around clematis stems. Remove infected leaves as they are detected. Irrigate plants in a manner that keeps water off the foliage. Apply a fungicide to protect plants.
Clematis wilt	Plants with dark brown to black <i>Ascochyta</i> leaf spots develop a	<i>Phoma</i> (formerly, <i>Ascochyta</i> ) <i>clematidina</i>	See leaf spot management above. Prune infected stems.

	stem canker that leads to plant wilting and dieback.		
Powdery mildew	White fungal growth develops on the leaves. Leaves wither and die.	<i>Erysiphe</i>	Apply copper sulfate, potassium bicarbonate or sulfur as soon as mildew is observed.
Rusts	Slightly swollen areas on the vine have eruptions of yellowish spores.	<i>Aecidium</i> and <i>Puccinia</i> spp.	Ensure good air circulation around clematis stems. Remove infected leaves as they are detected. Irrigate plants in a manner that keeps water off the foliage.
Phymatotrichopsis and Phytophthora root rots	Wilting and dying plants have a rot at or slightly below the soil line	<i>Phymatotrichopsis</i> or <i>Phytophthora</i>	Ensure good air circulation around clematis stems. Remove infected leaves as they are detected. Irrigate plants in a manner that keeps water off the foliage.
Tomato ringspot virus (ToRSV)	Yellow mottling and spotting occurs on leaves.	Tomato ringspot virus (ToRSV)	This virus is moved from infected clematis and some weeds by nematodes. If plants are vegetatively propagated from infected stock plants, new plants will have the virus. Remove infected plants