

Foliage Plant Pests

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Scientific Name	Common Name	Pests
Aechmea fasciata Abanus Cryptanthus spp	Bromeliad Pineapple Urn Plant	Aphids Fungus gnats/Shore flies Mealybugs Scale Spider Mites
Aeschynanthus	Lipstick Plant	Mealybugs Scale Spider & Tarsonemid Mites
Aglaonema	Chinese Evergreen	Mealybugs Scale Spider Mites
Alocasia	Elephant's Ear African Mask	Scale Spider mites
Anthurium	Tailflower Wedding Flower	Aphelenchoides (foliar) nematode Mealybugs Scale Spider Mites
Aphelandra squarrosa	Zebra Plant	Aphids Mealybugs Slugs & Snails Tarsonemid Mites Whiteflies
Araucaria heterophylla	Norfolk Island Pine	Mealybugs Scale Spider Mites
Areaceae-Palmeae	Palms	Beetles Caterpillars Pratylenchus coffeae (lesion) nematode Mealybugs Radopholus similis (burrowing) nematode Scale Spider Mites Thrips
Aspidistra elatior	Cast Iron Plant	Mealybugs Scale Slugs & Snails Spider Mites
Begonia	Begonia	Aphelenchoides (foliar) nematode Aphids

		Mealybugs Meliodogyne (root knot) nematode Scale Spider Mites Whiteflies
Cactaceae	Cactus/Succulents	
Aloe	Aloe	Mealybugs Scale
Cereus	Cereus	Scale Spider Mites
Hatiora/Schlumbergera	Christmas/Easter Cactus	Cactodera cacti (cactus cyst) nematode Fungus Gnats Mealybugs Scale
Opuntia	Prickly pear Cholla	Mites Scale
Sedum spp	Sedum	Mealybugs Scale
Senecio	String of Pearls Cocoon Plant	Cactodera cacti (cactus cyst nematode) Mealybugs Scale
Caladium	Caladium Angel Wing	Aphids Caterpillars mealy bugs Meliodogyne (root knot) nematode Pratylenchus coffeae (lesion) nematode Snails/slugs Spider mites
Calathea	Rattlesnake Plant	Lepidopterous Larvae Mealybugs Radopholus similis (burrowing) nematode Scale Spider & Tarsonemid Mites
Chlorophytum comosum	Spider Plant	Greenflies Mealybugs (& root) Mites Scale
Cissus	Grapy Ivy	Lepidopterous Larvae Mealybugs Scale Spider & Tarsonemid Mites Thrips
Codiaeum	Croton	Mealybugs Pratylenchus coffeae (lesion) nematode

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Coffea arabica	Coffee Plant	Mealybugs
Coleus	Coleus	Caterpillars Mealybugs Meliodogyne (root knot) nematode Mites Scale Whiteflies
Columnnea	Goldfish Plant	Mealybugs Scale Spider & Tarsonemid Mites
Cordyline	Ti Plant	Caterpillars Fungus gnats Mealybugs Pratylenchus coffeae (lesion) nematode Scale Spider mites Thrips
Diffenbachia	Dumb Cane	Aphids Mealybugs Pratylenchus coffeae (lesion) nematode Scale Spider mites
Dionaea	Venus Flytrap	Aphids (wholly) Fungus gnat Mealy bugs Snails/Slugs Thrips
Dracaena	Corn Plant	Mealy bugs Pratylenchus coffeae (lesion) nematode Scale Spider mites Thrips
Epipremnum	Pothos	Caterpillars Mealy bugs Meliodogyne (root knot) nematode Spider mites
Episcia	Flame Violet	Aphids Caterpillars Mites Soil Mealybugs
Euphorbia	Crown of Thorns	Mealy bugs Nematodes

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Ficus	Weeping Fig Rubber Tree Fiddle Leaf Fig	Aphelenchoides (foliar) nematode Mealy bugs Scale Spider mites Thrips
Fittonia	Nerve Plant	Mealybugs Mites Scale Slugs
Hedera	English Ivy	Aphids Lepidopterous Larvae Mealybugs Scale Spider & Tarsonemid Mites
Hoya	Wax Plant	Aphids Mealybugs Scale
Leea	West Indian Holly	Scale Whiteflies
Maranta	Prayer Plant	Mealybugs Meliodogyne (root knot) nematode Radopholus similis (burrowing) nematode
Pellonia/Pilea	Aluminum Plant Creeping Charlie	Mealybugs Mites Scale Snails/slugs
Peperomia		Aphelenchoides (foliar) nematode Aphids Bud mites Caterpillars Fungus gnats Mealybugs (& root) Scale Thrips
Philodendron Monstera	Split Leaf Philodendron	Aphids Mealybugs Meliodogyne (root knot) nematode Scale Spider mites
Plectranthus	Swedish Ivy	Broad & Spider mites Mealybugs Scale

Polypodiaceae	Fern	Aphelenchoides (foliar) nematode Aphids Caterpillars Mealybugs Pratylenchus coffeae (lesion) nematode Scale Spider mites Thrips
Polyscias	Aralia	Aphids Mealybugs Meliodogyne (root knot) nematode Scale Spider & Tarsonemid Mites
Radermachera	Radar Plant	Aphids Broad Mites Caterpillars Mealybugs Scale
Rhoeo	Oyster Plant	Mealybugs Spider mites
Saintpaulia	African Violet	Aphelenchoides (foliar) nematode Broad & Cyclamen mites Mealybugs Meliodogyne (root knot) nematode Scale Tarsonemid Mites
Sansevieria	Snake Plant	Meliodogyne (root knot) nematode Thrips
Schlefflera	Umbrella tree	Aphids Leafminer Mealybugs Meliodogyne (root knot) nematode Scale Spider mites
Spathiphyllum	Peace Lily	Caterpillars Mealybugs Scale Spider mites Thrips Whiteflies
Syngonium	Nephtytis	Aphids Armyworms Mealybugs Radopholus similis (burrowing) nematode Scale Spider mites

		Thrips
Tolmiea	Piggyback Plant	Mealybugs Spider mites Whiteflies
Tradescantia	Wandering Jew	Mealybugs Scale
Yucca	Spineless Yucca	Mealybugs Scale Thrips Weevils