

Daphne Plant Rescue Guide

How to Identify and Fix Daphne Plant Problems



Stop! Save Your Daphne Plants Before It's Too Late

Daphne plants are beautiful and fragrant, but very sensitive. One wrong move with watering, soil, or sunlight and they can decline fast.

Understanding Daphne Plant Sensitivity



✓ Daphne plants need:

- Well-drained, slightly acidic soil
- Partial shade (avoid harsh afternoon sun)
- Deep but infrequent watering



✓ Common signs of distress:

- Yellowing or curling leaves
- Drooping or wilting
- Sticky residue or mold

Common Diseases & How to Treat Them

1. Southern Blight

- **Symptoms:** Yellow leaves, wilting, brown base patches
- **Fix:** Increase air circulation, stop overhead watering, use fungicide

2. Twig Blight

- **Symptoms:** Browning or dying twig tips
- **Fix:** Prune infected areas, clean tools, apply copper fungicide

3. Leaf Spot

- **Symptoms:** Brown/black spots on leaves
- **Fix:** Remove affected leaves, increase airflow, use copper-based spray

Common Pests & How to Get Rid of Them

1. Aphids

- **Symptoms:** Curling leaves, sticky honeydew
- **Fix:** Spray with water, apply neem oil or insecticidal soap

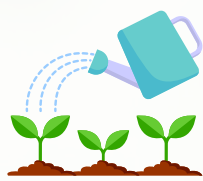
2. Mealybugs

- **Symptoms:** White, cottony masses on leaves/stems
- **Fix:** Alcohol + soap mixture dabbed on infected areas

3. Leaf Spot

- **Symptoms:** Hard bumps on stems, leaf discoloration
- **Fix:** Scrape off gently, use horticultural oil

Common Care Mistakes & Best Practices



Watering Tips

Don't overwater. Water deeply but allow soil to dry slightly between sessions.



Soil Setup

Use composted, well-draining, slightly acidic soil



Sunlight Needs

Best: Morning sun, afternoon shade

Daphne Care Recap Checklist

- Water deeply, let soil dry
- Avoid overhead watering
- Use well-drained, acidic soil
- Prune only with clean tools
- Fight pests early with neem or soap

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