

# **Watch Out for Creepy Crawlers**

Be on the lookout for **GRUBWORMS**, as they have been active in our area. Check your yard for grubworms, which are the larvae of the June Beetle. These worms burrow into the soil and can damage roots with their larvae. If you notice that the turf peels up easily in brown areas, it's important to look for this pest. To control the infestation, apply a granular insecticide made specifically for grubworms. Always follow the instructions on the label for effective control.









Stay vigilant for **ARMYWORMS** during this season, as they can quickly damage turf—literally overnight—if not treated promptly. Your grass might be green one day and gone the next. It's crucial to monitor these areas for signs of infestation, such as irregular brown patches or clusters of caterpillars. If you observe any signs of armyworm activity, be prepared to treat the affected spots immediately with either granular or liquid turf insecticide. Always follow the instructions on the label for adequate control. Regular inspections and quick action will help keep your turf healthy and green.









# The Powerful Benefits of Neem Oil: Nature's Multi-Purpose Solution

By Dr. Moon

When it comes to my garden and landscape, I always look for a safe, non-toxic insecticide and fungicide that I can use without worrying about harmful side effects. I prefer organic products whenever possible, and I was a happy gardener when I discovered Neem Oil. This product, made from the Neem Tree, is safe for use on vegetables and fruit trees and is almost non-toxic to birds, fish, bees, and wildlife when applied. But what truly makes it special is its effectiveness. It's my go-to insecticide and fungicide, and I trust it to keep my garden healthy and thriving.

As a natural insecticide, Neem Oil effectively controls a wide variety of pests, including aphids, mealybugs, scales, whiteflies, mites, ants, fleas, ticks, fruit flies, snails, slugs, caterpillars, webworms, squash bugs, and beetles.

As a natural fungicide, it effectively controls various diseases, including rust, powdery mildew, other mildews, scab, black spots, anthracnose, leaf spots, botrytis, needle rust, blight, and Alternaria. This comprehensive coverage gives me confidence that my garden and landscape are in good hands with Neem Oil.

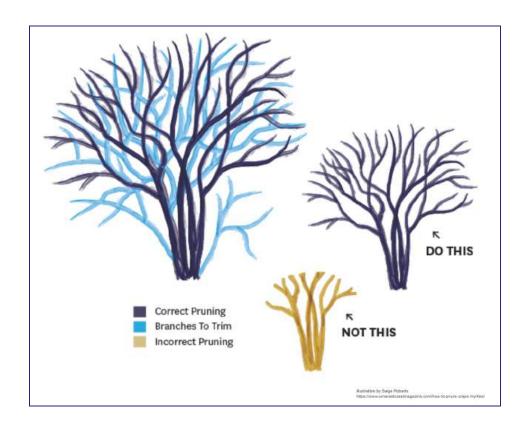


- Readily available at your local garden center or home improvement store
- Organic
- Safe for all plant materials
- Environmentally friendly
- Simple to use—apply to all plants to control insects, mites, and many diseases
- Effective against pesky ants and helps prevent their return
- A preferred treatment for aphids
- Can stop the spread of fungal diseases like powdery mildew and leaf spots

#### **Landscape Maintenance:**

## **Correctly Pruning Ornamental Trees**

$\square$ Remove low-hanging branches that interfere with walkways
$\square$ Remove broken and dead branches
☐ Remove crossover or rubbing branches
$\hfill\square$ Remove sucker growth from the base of the trunk or on the trunk
$\square$ Remove any branches growing into your home structure
☐ Do not cut back from the top, leaving stubs



## WINTER FLOWER CORNER



Swiss Giant Pansy

OTHER COMMON NAMES: Viola/ Violet

**COLOR**: White & Purple

BEST TIME TO PLANT: mid-September to early October- to

establish roots before winter

PLANT HEIGHT: 6-8"

PLANT SPACING: 6-9"

**LIGHT REQUIREMENTS: Sun- Partial Shade** 

\*Water your pansies regularly, especially during dry periods

\*\*Pansies thrive in the cool southern winter weather



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