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- Select the right plant for the right place
  - Hardiness
  - Environmental requirements
  - Alternate hosts
  - Disease resistance
- · Select healthy plants
  - Transplants
  - Seeds

# Diseases in the Garden Control

- Diversify and rotate
- Plant properly
- Mulch properly
  - Type
  - Amount
- Fertilize properly
  - Amount
  - Timing

#### Diseases in the Garden Control

- Water properly
  - Source
  - Amount
  - Delivery method
- Prune and thin routinely
- Control weeds

### Diseases in the Garden Control

- Clean up in the autumn
  - Burn
  - Bury
  - Compost
- Decontaminate gardening materials
  - Pruning tools
  - Pots and working surfaces
  - Soil

# Diseases in the Garden Control

- Fungicides/bactericides are a last resort
  - Chemical
  - Biological

# Diseases in the Garden Where to Go for Help

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