



Greenland Garden Centre Gardening Tips

BATTLING BUGS

STORE HOURS:

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The warm weather has finally arrived and we are already seeing aphids! It's important to control them early, reducing the chance for them to multiply .

Aphids can be several colors - black, green, red etc. Right now, they are very tiny and cluster together on tender new foliage. We have already noticed aphids on snowball, cranberry, dogwood and more. Take a close look at your shrubs, sometimes ants are a clear sign of an aphid infestation; this is because they feast on the honeydew aphids provide.



For control, you can start by squishing or hosing off aphids with a strong mist from a hose. In addition, products such as Doktor Doom House and Garden, Safer's End All or Insecticidal Soap will work to control insects.

NEW!! Several effective organic products for controlling insects are now available at Greenland. Locally made, our all natural controls from **Ark Gardens** include Hot Pepper Spray, Garlic Spray, Insecticidal Soap and many more. These products work well against aphids, whitefly, thrips, etc. Safe for use around pets and children, these organic controls not only prove successful in the battle of bugs, but contain natural ingredients such as peppermint oil to help prevent future infestations.



BENEFICIAL INSECTS ARE HERE!

We have received our first shipment of **ladybugs** and **praying mantis**; both are aggressive eaters of aphids, whitefly and other insects.



Beneficial Nematodes - Trouble with onion maggot, potato wireworm or sod webworm? Beneficial nematodes are your solution! Starting in June, simply water the affected area with the nematode solution for effective control. More details available in store.

For more information on controlling pests and diseases in the garden visit the **What's Bugging** section of greenlandgarden.com