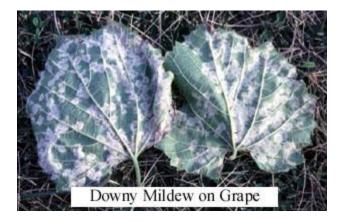
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Problem: Grapes, Downy Mildew



Hosts: Grapes

Description: This wet-weather fungus attacks both the leaves and fruit. Small yellow spots initially develop on the upper surface of the leaf. If you flip the leaf over, you will find a fluffy white growth on the surface. This should not be confused with powdery mildew that causes a dusty white growth on the upper leaf surface.

Recommendations: There are many products labeled for downy mildew. Commercial grape growers or other large-scale growers should consult the current Midwest Fruit Pest Management Guide at the following website: https://store.extension.iastate.edu/product/14488

Please refer to the full guide and read the product labels for information on timing, safety, resistance management, and pre-harvest restrictions. Captan, Fruit Tree Sprays (Bonide Captan Fruit & Ornamental) and copper compounds (Bonide Copper Fungicide, Bonide Liquid Copper) may be available for homeowner use.

References:

<u>Midwest Fruit Pest Management Guide</u>, Midwest Fruit Workers Group, K-State Research & Extension pub MF3278

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