

Got the Blight? Which One?



WHICH BLIGHT IS IT?

Too early to tell – but be on guard.

Action steps for late blight differ from those for early blight and Septoria leaf spot.

LATE BLIGHT

Could occur any time during the growing season. When humidity exceeds 90%, white spores appear around leaf, stem, and fruit lesions.



Lesions on leaves have rounded edges; not bounded by leaf veins.



Stem lesions are brown with a greasy appearance.



Fruit lesions are brown and firm.

Disease progresses upward from the bottom of the plant and usually occurs later in the season.



EARLY BLIGHT



Lesions on leaves are often bounded by leaf veins.



Lesions look like little targets.



Though uncommon, fruit lesions (always located near the stem) look sunken and brown.

SEPTORIA LEAF SPOT



Lesions are round with a reddish-brown border.



A closer look shows gray centers speckled with tiny black dots.



Septoria doesn't cause lesions on fruit.

ACTION NEEDED!

See video: *What To Do if You Find Late Blight in Your Garden.*



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Early blight and Septoria leaf spot aren't as contagious as late blight. No action is needed to prevent spread to nearby farms and gardens.



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