How to manage vegetable diseases the organic way

Do you know the diseases that affect your crops? Knowing them helps me to minimise disease damage naturally while protecting our health and environment

Disease causing pathogens and how they affect plants



Symptoms

- Spotting, cankering, blighting
- Wilting, scabbing and rotting on different plant parts
- Withering and dying of plants

Spreading through

- Rain, wind, tools, humans and animals
- Infected planting material such as seeds, seedlings and cuttings



Symptoms

- Individual wilting and rotting plants
- Discoloration of lower stem and
- internal discoloration of stem
- Formation of plant tumours

Spreading through

- Rain, wind, tools, humans and animals
- Infected plants and/or plant parts



and plants can be protected

- Plant strengthening preparations or products can increase plant vigour or improve disease resistance

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• Fungicides protect healthy plants only, they do not cure diseased plants

Three steps to manage diseases organically





Symptoms

- Light green/yellow patches on leaves
- Stunted growth

Spreading through

- Infected planting material such as seeds, seedlings and cuttings
- Insect vectors