



## DO YOU HAVE ROSE ROSETTE DISEASE?

### What are the symptoms?

- New growth that's thicker than below
- Distorted clusters of stems (witches broom)
- Excessive thorniness

Symptoms can vary with different types of roses. Most plants will show several symptoms. Some infected roses may not show symptoms. All roses are thought to be susceptible. Plants will eventually die.

### What causes the disease?

- A virus that is spread by a microscopic mite
- Not a soil borne disease—no need to remove soil

### How does it spread?

The mites can crawl from plant to plant and can be windblown or move on people, birds or other insects.

### What should I do?

Bag and remove the entire infected plant including roots and dispose of it in the trash.

Educational programs of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service are open to all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, genetic information or veteran status. The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating.

#### For information:

#### Fact sheet:

<https://www.agrilifebookstore.org/v/vspfiles/downloadables/EPLP-010.pdf>

#### Video:

<http://www.ccmgatx.org/gardening-resources/videos/rose-rosette-disease.aspx>

#### Rose Trial:

City of Grapevine/  
Texas A&M AgriLife  
Extension Rose Rosette  
Resistance Trial , Dove  
Loop Trail Head, Dove  
Loop and Shady Lane

#### Questions?

Tarrant County  
Extension

200 Taylor, Suite 500,  
Fort Worth , TX 76196  
(817) 884-1945