

TECH TIP: POWDERY MILDEW ON CALIBRACHOA



White fuzz on your calibrachoa leaves? Have you sprayed with a fungicide to prevent or control powdery mildew? What conditions were you growing the plants? High RH, dreary conditions with oscillating temperature conditions will promote powdery mildew outbreaks in the plants. There are varietal susceptibility so expect to see more issues with some varieties compared to others.

This is more of a problem during seasons when sales are delayed, and plant size prevents thorough coverage with fungicides. The disease tends to start on the inside of the canopy and when the environment is right, rapidly spreads through the entire container.