

MYTH: DISH SOAP IS A SAFE, NATURAL PESTICIDE



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THE FACTS

Most dish soap products are not true soaps, but powerful surfactants called detergents. They can contain phosphate, bleach, enzymes, dyes, fragrances and rinsing aids

- TRUE SOAPS are made from natural oils and fats.

Spraying a plant with diluted dish soap removes the plant's natural defenses against pests and diseases

- Strips the protective waxy coating on leaf surfaces.

Dish soap alters everything it comes into contact with, including **BENEFICIAL** insects.

DISH SOAPS (DETERGENTS) ARE NOT AN ORGANIC ALTERNATIVE TO PESTICIDES AND ARE NOT APPROPRIATE FOR PEST CONTROL IN GARDENING.

Reference – Robert Pavlis
www.gardenmyths.com/tag/dish-soap/