

## **GARDENING BY THE MOON**

## MITES AND POWDERY MILDEW - A DREADED DUO!

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If your trees are turning a muddy brown color or just look off color, you have the one or both of the dreaded duo – mites or powdery mildew! Neither of these problems will harm the tree permanently but it will cause them to be unsightly. Trees will leaf out in the spring after winter dormancy with healthy leaves. Trees that are turning brown include Cedar Elm, Baldcypress, Crape Myrtle, Bur Oak and Red Oak. Other trees might be experiencing these problems, but not to the extent as the trees listed above. It is usually not worth the expense and effort to control, but you can treat with Neem Oil. Spray both sides of leaves thoroughly for control.



Mite Damage



**Powdery Mildew Damage** 



The dreaded duo!