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## Magnolia Scale

## Your Garden Problem:

Magnolia scale is one of the largest scale insects in the United States. These insects damage plants by removing fluids. Heavily infested trees can be seriously injured or killed by this insect. Scale insects also secrete large amounts of honeydew, which gives the plant an unsightly sticky appearance which attracts



large numbers of ants, wasps, and yellow jackets. Black sooty mold develops on the honeydew creating a dark gray film on lower leaves and plants below the tree.

## Garden Rx Product Recommendations:

- Bonide All Season Spray Oil
- Bonide Tree and Shrub Insect Control
- Bonide Systemic Insect Control

## Control:

- Apply Bonide All Season Spray oil in March to kill over-wintering nymphs.
- Bonide Tree and Shrub or Systemic Insect control can be used in the summer to kill adult scale populations.