

Sucking pests

Cyclamen mite

Cyclamen mites cannot be seen with the naked eye because the adults are about 0.25 mm long. They are oval or elongated and white or amber-colored. Cyclamen mites require high relative humidity – 80 to 90% – and temperatures around 60°F for development. These mites do not produce webbing.



Cyclamen mite feeding causes flower curling, twisting and distortion. In addition, leaves may appear brittle.

Management: Dispose of all plants exhibiting symptoms of cyclamen mite damage. Also, remove all plants within 1 foot of damaged plants. Cyclamen mite control with miticides is difficult because they tend to be located in hidden, hard-to-reach areas.