

## Sooty blotch

Unidentified fungus

Sooty blotch is not a disease but is common on blueberry stems.

### Symptoms.

Superficial gray to black blotches form on green stems and twigs, giving them a sooty appearance.



Sooty blotches on stems.

**Disease cycle.** The causal organism is common in the environment and grows below the cuticle on plant surfaces. It does not appear to harm the plant.

**Management.** No control measures are necessary.