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## Greetings!

Spring is here!

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### A Calendar for Rose Care

January:

Begin planting roses in south Arkansas this month.

February:

Prune roses in mid to late month.

Plant roses this month.

March:

Finish planting roses this month if possible.

April:

Fertilize roses for the first time this month.

Begin to apply fungicides for black spot.

May:

Watch for aphids.

Continue fungicide sprays.

Fertilize beds.

June:

Continue spray program.

Continue fertilization.

July:

Increase the interval between black spot sprays.

Watch for spider mites.

Fertilize beds.

Water as needed.

August:

Watch for spider mites.

Make last fertilizer application this month.

Water as needed.

September:

Make last black spot spray this month.

October:

Enjoy the roses.

Make fall planting if possible.

November:

Rake and remove fallen leaves.

Prune back growth to 3-4' (temporary pruning).

*(originally published in Roses EC412)*

## Attached Extension Fact Sheet:

Black Spot of Rose FSA-7530

These may also be accessed online at:

<http://www.uaex.edu/publications/pdf/FSA-7530.pdf>

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**For those of you with internet who are interested in gardening or the Master Gardener's Program, you may want to read Janet Carson's Blog Page:**

Welcome to the Garden

<https://uofacesmg.wordpress.com/>

Janet Carson is our Extension Horticulture Specialist.

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## Upcoming Meetings:

### Lafayette County Farmer's Market Information Meeting!

There will be a farmer's market information meeting on **Wednesday 3/25/15 at 1:30 p.m. at the Agriplex in Lewisville**. Beverly Dunaway, Marketmaker Program Associate with the University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture will be presenting the information.

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### Arkansas Homesteader Conference

April 11, 2015 • Pioneer Village • Rison, Ark.

Gates Open at 8 a.m. • Sessions Begin at 9 a.m.

Farm & Garden Track

- 9 a.m. Introduction to Beekeeping –
- 10 a.m. Gardening by the Moon Phases 11 a.m. Soil Fertility
- 12:45 p.m. (Joint Session) Raised Bed Gardening
- 1:30 p.m. DIY Hoop House/High Tunnel
- 2:30 p.m. Backyard/Small Farm Poultry

Home & Kitchen Track

- 9 a.m. Energy Conservation
- 10 a.m. Canning Meat

- 11 a.m. Dehydrating Foods
- 12:45 p.m. (Joint Session) Raised Bed Gardening (See above description under Farm/Garden Track)
- 1:30 p.m. Rediscover the Herbs of Your Heritage
- 2:30 p.m. Homemade Cleaners

Youth Track

- Morning Session (9 a.m. ) Using a GPS and Geocaching
- Afternoon Session (12:45 p.m.) Games/Demonstrations

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## Learning Farm Listening Session:

**Nashville: May 12**

Focus will be on Howard, Miller, Pike, Little River, Lafayette, Clark, & Hempstead counties (More information coming soon!)

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## Muscadine Production

Muscadines are well adapted to our area. They are easy to grow and hardy.

Attached is a fact sheet:

### **Muscadine Grape Production in the Home Garden**

It may also be accessed online at:

<http://www.uaex.edu/publications/PDF/FSA-6108.pdf>

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