



## LEAF MINER

Leaf miner is a larvae that is between the layers of the leaf and when it turns into a pupae it eats the leaf and creates the wiggly tracks on the leaf. After the initial stage it kills the leaf and it looks like the leaf is burned.

### Steps:

1. Remove the leaves that are effected. Place in a bag, TIE the bag and dispose of it. NOT IN COMPOST BIN. Or remove the heavily damaged leaves and then see step 2 for mildly effected leaves, see pics below.
2. Make white oil to spray on the leaves to suffocate the leaf miner
  - a. 2 tsp veggie oil
  - b. 1 tsp organic dish soap
  - c. 500ml water
  - d. Add all ingredients to spray bottle and shake well-it should be cloudy
    - i. Spay on the top side and underside of leaves on the effected plants.
    - ii. Spray early morning or late in the evening to avoid burning the leaves as well as clogging the leaves pores.
    - iii. Spray lightly when the underside of leaves are hairy, or if the leaves are delicate (nasturtium)
    - iv. If it rains then you will need to reapply
    - v. Stores for 2-3 months

Early stages - spray



late stages-remove leaf

