

## Diseases of Specific Florist Crops

Keeping florist crops free of disease requires constant care and planning. Prevention is the basis of freedom from disease and should be an integral part of the general cultural program. The symptoms of the diseases of major florist crops are described individually by crop in a series of fact sheets.

### Calceolaria (*Calceolaria herbeohybrida*, *C. integrifolia*)

- Impatiens necrotic spot virus: Pale patches in lower leaves enlarge and brown with time; young plants may be more severely affected. Control of western flower thrips is essential.
- Stem or crown rot: Stem collapse, possibly resulting from infection by *Botrytis* or *Sclerotinia sclerotiorum*.