



## **Topic: Glyphosate Herbicide Use under Trees**

**Question:** Is it safe to use Roundup on weeds under my trees? I have a lemon, a grapefruit and a tangelo also a fig and a mango, that I simply cannot pull or hoe the dollarweeds fast enough!

- Greg, Cape Coral

**Answer:** Yes, you can use Roundup (Glyphosate) under these trees. Roundup is commonly used to create a weed and grass free zone around trees. The herbicide will not damage plants unless the spray drifts onto the green leaves. Even if sprayed onto the trunks, these trees, perhaps except for the fig, should be safe from the effects of Roundup. If the trunk of the fig is green, be sure to shield it from any potential spray drift.

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