

Living Pest Free Tips from...

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Today's families are actively engaged in activities to promote the maintenance of good health. Keeping a pest-free environment plays a key role in protecting you, your family and your pets from infections, viruses, bacteria, and parasites.

Mice and rats love to get inside your home where it's warm and dry. Openings only as big as a quarter allow access for adult rats, and mice only need ¼ of an inch.

WHAT CAN YOU DO? Add stiff bristle door sweeps to pedestrian doors to help keep mice & rats out of the garage, and make sure all doors close tightly.

We love entertaining outdoors, and unfortunately ants often become unwanted guests. Do you know that when you see ants, it's only 2-3% of the colony that is actually foraging above ground?

WHAT CAN YOU DO? To keep the ants away, after a party on the deck or patio, sweep it well and then wash it using a light application of soap to remove any sticky, sweet drinks or food that may have been dropped.

Bed bugs can hitch a ride on luggage or bags during travel, and are once again becoming a problem pest throughout the United States.

WHAT CAN YOU DO? When you get home open your suitcases in the garage, and put everything in the laundry. Oh, and at the hotel, never put your suitcase on the bed--it's the most likely place that bed bugs will be hiding!

Rodents find all kinds of ways to enter your home so it's important to have an inspection for rodent proofing. Proper rodent proofing can eliminate entrances to your home, which rodents find just as comfy and cozy as you do.

WHAT CAN YOU DO? Keep trees and bushes trimmed back 3 feet from the roof so rats can't easily access the attic area of your home.

Black Widows are the most venomous spiders in the U.S. Often, because they are so common, people think they aren't "that bad". Fact is, their venom is 15 times more deadly than that of a rattlesnake. They simply do not inject as much. Spiders don't attack humans, they accidentally come in contact with them.

WHAT CAN YOU DO? Don't leave gloves, shoes or boots outside where spiders can easily crawl inside. Always make sure to thoroughly check them for sleeping spiders before putting them on.

Birds and rodents, in fact all insects are attracted to areas where there is plenty of food, water and a harborage.

WHAT CAN YOU DO? Pick up pet food and don't leave open bowls or containers outside or you will attract not only bugs, but rodents and pigeons will be enticed to nest in the area as well.

Termites love to swarm and start new colonies when the weather is warm.

WHAT CAN YOU DO? Move wood piles to the farthest area away from your house where the prevailing wind direction does not move toward your house. If termites attack the woodpile it will make it harder for them to reach your home.

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