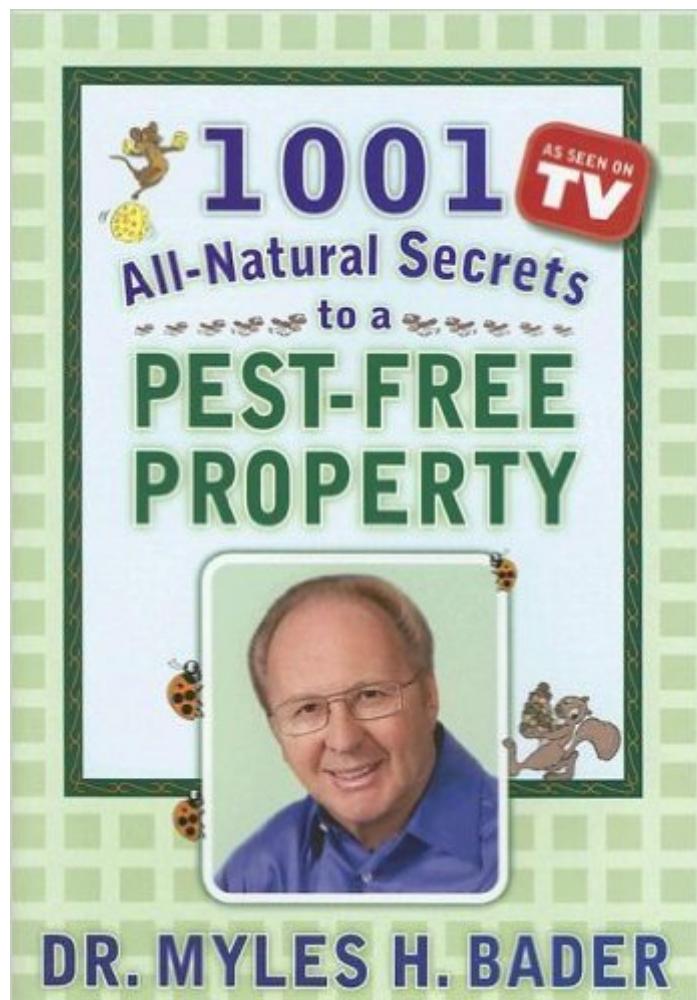


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1001 All-natural Secrets To A Pest-free Property



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If they are flying, crawling, burrowing or sneaking in to your home or garden, this book has the solution. Do you hate spiders? Has your house been invaded by ants, termites or cockroaches? Is your garden a feeding ground for caterpillars, aphids, mites or grasshoppers? Are you tired of rabbits or deer eating from the vegetable garden you worked so hard to create? Are raccoons after your trash or tearing up your lawn? Is your property infested with mice or moles? Does your neighbor's dog or cat cause you problems every day? Or would you simply like to enjoy your summer evenings without mosquitoes, flies or yellow jackets? This book offers powerful, all-natural solutions to these problems -- and hundreds more. Every bug, pest, critter and animal related problem you can think of is covered in this comprehensive, detailed and creative book. And every one of the 1001 solutions in this book avoids the use of any kind of pesticide or other poison that could potentially cause harm to our families, our communities, and our natural environment. There are over 2 billion pesticides manufactured in the United States every year. In 2002, more than 3.2 million people suffered medically related side effects from the use of pesticides. By using the simple, tried and true solutions provided in 1001 All Natural Secrets to a Pest-Free Property, you can make a significant contribution to reducing the damage caused by pesticides and other poisons. This book has been designed to make it easy for you to find the information you need and gives you precise and clear answers to all your pest control questions. Protect your property and your family's health today! No one knows more about natural pest control than world renowned Dr. Myles H. Bader. He has spent countless hours over more than ten years of research to find the answers you need to know in order to keep your home, garden and grounds free of insects and critters of all kinds. Most importantly, Dr. Bader shows you how to do this without the use of poisons and toxic preparations.

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Customer Reviews

First the good. This book provides some very interesting cures for pest problems that I haven't found elsewhere and that may very well work as indicated. Now the bad. This book provides some cures that are just plain wrong and may even be dangerous. For example, on page 23 Dr. Bader refers to Sevin as an organic insecticide containing pyrethrums and diatomaceous earth -- It's not, actually it's a synthetic insecticide containing carbaryl. On page 22 Dr. Bader refers to diatomaceous earth as safe. It's actually quite dangerous if it's inhaled -- which is easy to do since it's a dust. Dr. Bader also refers to Rotenone as a low toxicity insecticide to humans on page 339 -- wrong again -- it's one of the highest toxicity organic insecticides. The list goes on and on. I also wonder why, as a doctor of preventive care, he refers to tobacco and tobacco smoke so much. To sum up -- there are some great ideas in this book, but it's not one that I'd recommend because of the faulty and even dangerous statements that it makes about certain cures. Better choices might be Jerry Baker's books, especially his old ones like Plants are Like People or The Impatient Gardener. Sharon Lovejoys book Trowel and Error, or Jeff Gillman's book The Truth about Garden Remedies. All of these books offer a bit more explanation about possible cures and the research in these books is significantly better (especially Gillman's book which includes many references and where the author talks about trials that he has conducted himself).

I bought this book hoping to find some cures to insect and disease problems on my plants. What I found instead was poor editing, information that seems to come from the top of the authors head, and drawings that are amateurish at best. Information in this book usually comes in poorly organized one sentence long blurbs that don't supply data on where the information originally came from or how likely the cure is to work, which is important since there seem to be about thirty "cures" for each problem. I guess the author just expects us to keep trying the wacky cures (some of which do include poisons) until one works - if any of them really do. I did try a few of the cures including a weird baking soda mixture, and a citrus spray. Neither of them worked. If the author had actually tried these cures I would think that he would have provided more information on them - In other words I doubt that the author tried these cures himself. As a doctor I like the idea of safer cures. This book

misidentifies certain practices as cures, misspells simple words, and gets the facts wrong about the safety of many cures and chemicals (what he thinks is in Sevin would be particularly amusing - if it weren't so potentially dangerous). I strongly recommend avoiding this book. Dr. R

TV hype is misleading - it's not worth the money for following reasons: 1. If you have to go to multiple stores to buy a half dozen ingredients for 1 spray, it will occur to you to just buy 1 spray. Isn't it like buying 5 batteries to recharge one? 2. He spends a lot of pages telling you why he loves various pests rather than how you rid yourself of them. I got it for frogs. Nothing on that but a lot about why toads are good. 3. Rid yourself of ants by leaving tainted cat food in the bushes. Hmm. Isn't the reason you would have cat food that you have a cat? 4. Some suggestions were downright hilarious - I live in Hawaii and have bamboo around every side of the premises. I guarantee that it does nothing to discourage mosquitoes however many dragonflies may like the bamboo. And the notion crows may be deterred by socks that look like humans? In fairness, I did not climb trees to hang them because I would hear crows laughing.

I should have just listened to my Aunt Thelma and used the Blue Cheer soap and water combo to keep bugs away. She always said to spray your garden, fruit trees, and around the base of your house and it would keep the insects and spiders away. I feel like I paid \$25 for the same advice that I got free from her. My biggest complaint is that the same solutions are repeated over and over and over again. This book would only be 1/3 the size if the author had only put each "tip" in once -- and 1/3 again smaller if he had used a font size that was smaller and left out the dumb drawings. Also whoever proofed this book did a lousy job. Ex.: "If you spray areas where they frequent with a soapy solution you can get ride of them that way as well." Just silly errors that should have been caught and are very distracting. At the price you pay for this book you shouldn't have to worry about typos. Sometimes the same tip is even listed twice under the same category. Obviously I was very disappointed.

Although there are a ton of great ideas in this book, it's a difficult book to read due to the lack of an editorial staff. It is not "all-natural" as the title implies. Simple spelling errors, grammatical errors, and a lack of organization all give this book 2 stars. I think it "bugs" me (pun intended) also that he calls spiders insects. "Spiders are beneficial insects and are welcome in most homes." p.46 I know I'm being picky, but it irks me that someone that has studied zoology would make an error like that. Keith

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