

#### **DETERRING FERAL CATS**

**Boundary:** available at farm and garden supply stores, Petco, Petsmart; costs about \$13, must be reapplied frequently.

Use outdoors to prevent pets from disturbing flower beds, areas of lawn, trees, shrubbery, fences, patio furniture, and garbage cans/bags.

Directions: Stray animals are frequently attracted to areas where pets have soiled with feces or urine. To discourage repeat visits, remove any droppings and clean with water. Do not apply directly to foliage of shrubs or to ornamental, soft-bodied plants. Do not apply to food or feed crops. Lightly spray surrounding soil or apply to a piece of cloth and affix near area to be protected every day. Repeat daily, or as necessary, until undesirable habit is broken.



Cat Scat: available exclusively at Gardener's Supply Company, **www.gardeners.com** or (888) 833-1412. Costs about \$22 for a set of 5.

Keep neighborhood cats from using your garden as a litter box with Cat Scat Mats, a non-toxic way to say "No Trespassing!" Simply place the mats in the area where you want to discourage feline excavation. The flexible plastic spikes are harmless, but effective.

- Made of brown, weatherproof plastic
- Five mats per set
- Each mat is 8-1/2" x 7"

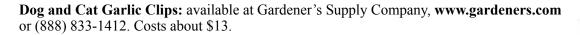




**Go Away! Dog and Cat Repellent**: available at Gardener's Supply Company, **www.gardeners.com** or (888) 833-1412. Costs about \$18.

Applied daily, this granular repellent discourages them by creating an aromatic barrier around flowerbeds, shrubs and trees.

- 3 pounds treats 900 square feet
- Made with essential oils and white pepper
- Not for use on food crops



Fasten these 100% organic Garlic Clips to plant stems or place on the ground at 4' intervals to create a pungent barrier around your garden — one that'll have dogs and cats heading for the hills!

- Contains garlic, citronella, lemongrass, cinnamon and soybean oils
- Each clip is 3-1/4" L
- Place approximately 4' apart to form a barrier
- Biodegradable

**Critter Ridder:** available at Gardener's Supply Company, **www.gardeners.com** or (888) 833-1412. Costs about \$20.

Pungent, pepper-based control repels with both odor and taste and keeps working for a full month. One container treats about 90 sq. ft.







Instant Garden Fence: available at Gardener's Supply Company, **www.gardeners.com** or (888) 833-1412. Costs about \$40.

Keep cats, dogs and other small critters from invading your garden with this all-in-one mesh fence kit. You get 10 plastic-coated stainless steel stakes, 20 clips and 50' of 39" tall polyethylene netting. It's everything you need to quickly and easily enclose a 12' x 12' garden — no tools required. Fence rolls up for off-season storage.

- Kit includes 10 plastic-coated stainless steel stakes, 20 clips and 50' of polyethylene netting
- Makes a fence 39" H x 50' L
- No tools required for assembly



ScareCrow: available from Contech, http://www.contech-inc.com or (800) 767-8658. Costs about \$90.

Protect your yard, fruit trees, vegetables, flowers and water features from hungry or destructive animal intruders. The ScareCrow® motion-activated sprinkler automatically detects deer, racoons, heron, dogs and more as they approach, and repels them with a short but startling burst of water. The sudden noise, movement and spray scares animals away, teaching them to avoid the area in future.

#### The ScareCrow:

- works day and night without chemicals or unsightly barriers
- can be linked to other ScareCrows to form an effective water barrier
- conserves water uses just 2 to 3 cups per deterrence
- operates for up to six months on a single nine-volt battery
- one scarecrow covers approximately 1000 sq. ft.





CatStop: available from Contech, http://www.contech-inc.com or (800) 767-8658. Costs about \$60.

Protect your garden, plants or sandbox without chemicals or fences. When cats come within range, the CatStop® automatic outdoor cat deterrent emits a sudden burst of ultrasonic sound (at a frequency most humans can't hear) - the sound startles cats, and teaches them to stay away. Installation is easy - just place the CatStop in the garden or outdoor area that you want to protect, and it's ready to go.

#### The CatStop:

- provides a safe but effective deterrence
- protects gardens day and night without chemicals or unsightly barriers
- monitors up to 280 square feet (26 square meters)
- operates for up to six months on a single 9-volt battery



#### ADDITIONAL DETERRENT OPTIONS

- Scatter fresh orange and lemon peels or spray with citrus-scented fragrances. Coffee grounds, pipe tobacco, or oil of lavender, lemongrass, citronella, or eucalyptus also deter cats.
- Plant the herb rue to repel cats, or sprinkle dried rue over the garden.
- Use plastic carpet runners spike-side up, covered lightly in soil. They can be found at local hardware or office supply stores. Or, set chicken wire firmly into the dirt with sharp edges rolled under.
- Artfully arrange branches in a lattice-type pattern or wooden or plastic lattice fencing material over soil. You can disguise these by planting flowers and seeds in the openings. You can also try embedding wooden chopsticks, pinecones, or sticks with dull points deep into the soil with the tops exposed eight inches apart.
- Cover exposed ground in flower beds with large, attractive river rocks to prevent cats from digging. (They have the added benefit of deterring weeds.)
- Establish a litter box by tilling the soil or placing sand in an out-of-the-way spot in your yard. Keep it clean and free of deposits.
- Plant catnip in an area of the yard away from the garden.