

Companion Plants for Pest Control



Companion plants are a great way to deter pests from living in your yard. Plant these helpful plants in your garden to help keep it pest free.

Marigolds give off a fragrance that is unappealing to many insects, especially mexican bean beetles, tomato worms, and nematodes.

Thai Lemon Grass is not particularly attractive until you realize that it is a natural mosquito repellent. It can grow about six feet tall and is used in many Thai dishes.

Artemisia, also known as wormwood and mugwort, is known for attracting beneficial bugs as well as being a repellent for harmful ones. It is also known as a natural repellent for animals.

Nasturtium are known for repelling whiteflies, squash bugs, striped pumpkin beetle, and wooly aphids.

Basil is a natural repellent of flies, mosquitoes, and asparagus beetles.

Catnip will repel ants, aphids, cockroaches, flea beetles, and japanese beetles but attract cats. Still, it is a hardy perennial that belongs to the mint family.

Garlic is not just for vampires. It also repels aphids, apple scabs, borers, japanese beetles, peach leaf curl disease, and spider mites.

Lavender is known to repel ticks, moths, and mice.

Mint Peppermint and other mints have been known to keep ants, aphids, cabbage moths, and fleas away.

Pennyroyal will repel fleas, flies, and mosquitos.

Rue repels flies, japanese beetles, and even cats and dogs.

Tansy is a natural repellent for ants, fleas, flies, japanese beetles, moths, striped cucumber beetles, and squash bugs.

Other Companion Plants:

Borage- tomato worms

Calendula- asparagus beetles and tomato worms

Chrysanthemum- mexican bean beetles

Coriander- aphids

Dandelion- colorado potato beetles

Dead Nettle- potato beetles

Fennel- fleas

Flax- potato beetles

Geranium- cabbage worms and red spider mite

Horseradish- potato beetles

Hyssop- cabbage moth

Oregano- cabbage butterflies and cucumber beetles

Parsley- beetles

Radish- cucumber beetles

Rosemary- bean beetles, cabbage moth, and carrot flies

Sage- bean beetles, cabbage moth, carrot flies, and slugs

Southernwood- cabbage moth

Sunflower- armyworm

Thyme- cabbage worm