

Alternatives to Round-Up & Other Dangerous Weed Control Pesticides

(For safe use at homes with pets, children, adults, and gardens)

BioSafe Weed Control Concentrate: Spray on patios, walkways, and along edgings. Do not spray desirable plants. Apply when weeds are dry from dew or rainwater. Is effective at all temperatures.

Weed Slayer: Organic Herbicide. Controls hard to kill grasses & weeds. Helps translocate the herbicide material through the plant.

Doctor Kirchner Natural Weed Killer: Kills weeds down to the roots & is completely pesticide free!

White Vinegar: 30% Vinegar Concentrate (Dilute 15% before using with a pump sprayer) Spray on only what you intend to kill.

Weed Pharm Organic Herbicide: A diverse group of weeds are controlled by this organic herbicide.

Burning: (Use a weed scorcher which are widely available on the market. (Red Dragon Weed Torch Kit) Run the hot flame over the weeds. They will wither & die after a few days due to the lack of moisture.

Physically Pulling the Weeds: Soften the ground with water to make the task easier. Use a knife or screwdriver to loosen the roots before pulling up the weed.

Mulching: Prevents contact between the weed seeds and the soil, & keeps seeds away from sunlight limiting their chance to sprout. Is biodegradable, and will improve soil's quality while retaining moisture.

Newspapers: (Cover area with a few layers.) Prevents contact between the weed seeds and the soil, & keeps seeds away from sunlight limiting their chance to sprout. Is biodegradable.

Weed Barrier Fabric: Prevents contact between the weed seeds and the soil, & keeps seeds away from sunlight limiting their chance to sprout.

Bleach: Very effective in killing grasses and other weeds. Should never be used near areas where you want other plants or grass to grow.

Elbow Grease: Most effective! Before perennial weeds get established, remove the roots with a hand fork.

Kids' Allowance: Provide children an opportunity to earn money. (5-cents a stick, 5-cents a pine cone, \$10/hr to pull weeds, etc.)

Eat the Weeds: Many weeds are edible and healthy. Visit TreeHugger.com

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| ▪ Purslane | ▪ Chickweed | ▪ Lamb's Quarters |
| ▪ Dandelion | ▪ Mallow | ▪ Wild Amaranth |
| ▪ Clover | ▪ Plantain | ▪ Curly Dock |

Salting: Sprinkle rock or table salt carefully on garden paths & the edges of your lawn to make a barrier for the weeds. Treat the areas which cannot be reached by the lawn mower with salt.

Boiling Water: After boiling vegetables or pasta, pour scalding water onto the weeds. It will take no more than several days for even the strongest of them to shrivel.

Competition: Weeds are naturally strong competitors. Only the stronger plants survive. Choose flowers and herbs that will consume resources like water, sunlight and nutrients faster than the invaders.

The healthier and richer your garden is, the fewer weeds you will have to worry about!