

Bed Bug Sufferers Look for Alternative Non-Pesticide Treatments

When traditional pesticide treatments for bed bugs fail to get rid of the bed bugs, many bed bug sufferers are looking for alternative treatment methods. Chemical free products that rely on natural enzymes are becoming more popular. These products offer a non-toxic alternative for bed bugs that is also safe for the environment.

Duluth, GA (PRWEB) August 27, 2006 -- As you may have heard already, Bed Bugs are making a strong comeback in the United States and around the world. Many experts are calling this an outbreak of epidemic proportions. Two of the reasons for this resurgence have to do with the ease of modern travel and the elimination of some of the effective pesticides used to kill bed bugs.

Over the last 20 years, the world has become very small. People travel from country to country very easily and very quickly. Bugs are picked up while traveling and are brought back to the U.S. by hitching a ride in suitcases. After the luggage is brought home and unpacked, the unwanted visitors climb out and start making themselves at home. The female bed bug will lay up to 5 eggs a day and 500 eggs during a lifetime. At this rate, it does not take long for a few bed bugs to become a lot of bed bugs.

In the 1940's and 1950's bed bugs were controlled by liberally spraying the pesticide DDT. As Americans became more aware of the danger of pesticides, the use of DDT was banned in the U.S. By the mid 1980's most developed countries of the world had banned the use of DDT and were trying to treat insect infestations with other types of pesticides. Unfortunately these new pesticides are not treating the bedbugs as well as DDT and the bugs may be becoming resistant to the pesticides in use today.

Either because of a desire not to use chemicals or because they have tried pesticide treatments and they didn't work, many people are beginning to look for alternative methods to treating bed bugs. "I get calls every day from people who have a bed bug problem and they don't want to use traditional pesticides." said Jeff Kinser who owns a website called <http://www.LiceScabiesandBedBugs.com>. Mr. Kinser offers non-toxic, non-pesticide products that help fight bed bugs. "Our main product is Kleen Free Naturally which is an enzyme based product instead of a chemical based product. It works to break down the protein makeup of the bug instead of trying to affect the nervous system of the bug like pesticides do and because it contains no chemicals it is safe to use around children and pets as well as being safe for the environment."

Alternative products like Kleen Free Naturally are being used especially by hotels that bill themselves as environmentally friendly. "Several hotels in Canada use our product right now because they are against using pesticides which harm the environment. They let their maids use the product every day while they clean the rooms. They manage their bed bug problem while retaining their environmentally friendly label"

It is a tough battle that is being fought with bed bugs right now. As the world has gotten more environmentally aware, less people are choosing to use the traditional pesticides and insecticides and more people are looking for non-traditional methods of treating bed bugs. These new products may take more work to make them effective, but the tradeoff is that the environment isn't being damaged by the indiscriminate use of harsh chemicals.

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