

Mosquito Management

Plants and herbs

Plant in and around gardens, walks, doors, windows, decks, pools and patios to help repel mosquitoes:

Scented geraniums, tansy, citrosa plants, lemon thyme, lemon Balm, citronella grass, common marigold, tomato, eucalyptus, sweet basil, lavender and/or sassafras

Lemon Balm is very easy to grow and makes a lovely tea as well. It spreads very easily and does not need a lot of sun or water.

Catnip is nearly 10 times more effective at repelling mosquitoes than DEET.

Note: Most plants release significant amounts of repellent oils only when their leaves are crushed. Rub crushed leaves on a small portion of your skin to see if you get an allergic reaction before treating your whole body or pet.