



SUMMER HOME & GARDEN

PEST CONTROL HANDBOOK

WELCOME TO YOUR SUMMER

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***Get ready to spring into a
super summer free from pests!***

HOME PEST CONTROL



Summer is that time of the year when we can sit outside and enjoy those long sunny days. But, there's something out there just waiting to spoil your summertime fun — pests!

RATS & MICE

Mice and rats are sneaky creatures — and if left unchecked, they can cause a lot of damage to your property. They'll gnaw at anything in sight, including wires, furniture, fabrics and your food, causing damage and contamination.

Rodents will also introduce other pests such as fleas to your property. Because they breed quickly, controlling an initial infestation takes a bit of effort.

Use **Efekto Eco Rat** and easy-to-use **Efekto Eco Rat Bait Station**. The bait stations should be visited 5 -7 days after the beginning of the treatment and weekly afterwards, to check the uptake of the bait. Refill the bait when necessary.



ANTS

Ants can become a nuisance both inside the home and around outdoor living areas. Use **Efekto No Ant Bait Stations** inside the home to kill ants visible to you, as well as control the ant nest. To stop ants coming into your home, apply a barrier spray around entry points and outdoor areas using **Bio Kill Extra GT**. To control ants in the lawn and paved areas, use **Efekto Ant Vanish** or **Efekto No Ant RTU**.

BED BUGS

Bed bugs are wingless, nocturnal pests that have flat, oval-shaped bodies. They're light brown or red-brown (depending on whether they have fed on blood or not). Bed bugs make contact with humans only when feeding, and will leave a large, red, itchy mark when they bite (though they are not believed to transmit any diseases to humans).



They're often found under mattresses or bed frames, behind picture frames on the walls, in the crevices of walls, and carpets. Bed bugs can be controlled using **Efekto No Insect Indoors Ready to Use Fleas & Bed bugs** or **Efekto Everdeath**, to treat mattresses and surrounding areas.

SPIDERS

Spiders can be frightening, with some having a painful or dangerous bite. To stop spiders coming into the house, spray a barrier spray around the exterior where spiders may enter, as well as inside where they have been spotted with **Bio Kill Extra GT**.



Protect your home with the perfect Efekto pest control solutions to suit your situation.

Efekto Eco Rat™ Bait Station | **Efekto Eco Trap A Roach**
Efekto Bio Kill Extra GT: Reg. No. L9013 Act 36 of 1947
Efekto Ant Vanish™: Reg. No. L9014 N-AR1326 Act No. 36 of 1947
Efekto Fendona 6 SC: Reg. No. L5808 N-AR 0537
 Act No. 36 of 1947 W130053
Efekto Everdeath: Reg. No. L6281 Act No. 36 of 1947
Efekto No Insect Indoors NF Fleas & Bedbugs RTU:
 Reg. No. L9148 N-AR1568 Act No. 36 of 1947
No Insect Indoors NF Cockroaches RTU:
 Reg. No. L9148 N-AR1568 Act No. 36 of 1947



FLIES

Flies are both stubborn and dangerous – to your health. Flies have some of the worst feeding habits and will feed indiscriminately on almost anything. It is this behaviour that makes them a hazard to human health. As they jump from one food source to another, flies' hairy bodies often carry germs, easily spreading them wherever they land. These pests are also quick multipliers, especially in warm weather. This factor alone expedites the chances of a fly infestation getting out of control quickly. Control this indoor and outdoor menace by hanging a **Red Top Fly Catcher** away from the house. To keep these pests out of your way, spray either **Efekto No Insect Indoors RTU Flying Insects** or **Efekto No Insect Indoors SC**.



MOSQUITOES

These small flies are well known for their size, bite, and high-pitched sound. Their bite is notably annoying as it can cause allergic reactions to some people. Those who do not have allergic reactions will still have itchy bites. They appear more often in the late afternoon and at dusk.

Mosquitoes resting on sprayed walls come into contact with **Efekto Fendona 6 SC** through their feet and are killed. Spraying walls may not prevent biting. Hungry mosquitoes entering a house may bite first and then be killed when resting on a treated wall.

Spraying should achieve uniform coverage of the target area without excessive wetting or liquid run-off. The lower surfaces of large items like furniture should be sprayed. Mosquitoes typically rest only on the lower wall surfaces (below 1.5 m). Spray wall surfaces only up to that height.



COCKROACHES

Cockroaches contaminate food, carry diseases and damage household items. Inside the home, apply **Efekto Zero Roach Bait** to kill the cockroaches you can see as well as the colony. **Efekto Eco Trap A Roach** is a pesticide-free trap that contains cockroaches inside the convenient and easy-to-use unit. To use a barrier spray inside the house, use **Efekto Fendona 6 SC** or **Efekto No Insect Indoors Ready to Use Cockroach Spray**. When applying, pay particular attention to entry points, cracks, crevices, and dark hiding places.



SUMMER ROSE CARE

Your roses take a real battering during the summer months of heat, hot dry winds and high humidity — on their health and appearance. Use these tips to give your roses the best chances this season.



Wonder Colourburst Rose Food:
Reg. No. K3566 Act No. 36 of 1947, N-F0289,
W130211 Act No. 18 of 1999

Efekto Rosecare® Plus: Reg. No. L10643
N-AR2043 Act 36 of 1947



WATER YOUR ROSES CORRECTLY

Continue to deeply water your roses at least once a week while they are in growth and flowering. This is an essential step to keeping your roses alive and healthy through tough conditions. Be sure to stay on top of your potted roses especially. Check if the soil is dry and water well to ensure moisture seeps deeply into the planting medium.

DEADHEADING

This process is important for removing spent flowers.

Old flowers left on the bush will begin to turn into hips and seeds, taking up most of the plant's energy. The removal of spent flowers encourages more blooms to grow, maximising flower production.

Snap or cut off the flower where you find the first leaflets.

And if your roses have developed sparse growth and spindly stems, it is a sign that your roses need a summer prune. Summer pruning refreshes and reinvigorates your roses and they will respond in a matter of weeks, putting on new growth, ready for another flush of flowers. You can even time your roses re-blooming if you have a special event coming up, as they will flower again around 6 – 7 weeks post pruning.

PRUNING

To prune, trim off around 30% of the overall growth, then remove any dead or thin stems. You can use hedge shears or a good sharp pair of secateurs. For more pruning techniques, [explore our pruning 101 blog post](#) >

After pruning, collect all the fallen leaves and stems, this helps to reduce the incidence of disease. Then apply some ***Wonder Colourburst Rose Food***. It's a complete and balanced water-soluble fertiliser that has been boosted with extra flower promoting potassium. Reapply ***Wonder Colourburst Rose Food*** every 2 weeks to encourage healthy new foliage growth and lots of gorgeous flowers.

ROSE CARE TREATMENTS

Tender new stem and leaf growth, together with fresh flower buds, are susceptible to attacks from aphids, scale and mealybug. Red spider mites can also wreak havoc, as they love summer's hot and dry conditions. ***Efeko Rosecare Plus*** controls the most common pests and diseases on roses in one easy step. Spray plants every 7 - 10 days to help keep plants healthy and protected.

Efeko Rosecare Plus contains a systemic insecticide, acaricide and fungicide to control common rose and ornamental pests, a 3-in-1 product.



Love your

LAWN

all year round

What's the trick to a gorgeous lawn?

No trick, all you need are the right products. Choose **Wonder's** plant nutrition and fertiliser solutions to promote growth and **Efekto's** garden pesticides to keep the critters away, and your lawn will flourish from season to season.



Available at a wide selection of retailers, nurseries and garden centres nationwide.

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Efeko Hormoban™ APM: Reg. No. L0412 N-AR 0134 Act No. 36 of 1947 W130198 Act No. 18 of 1999.
Active Ingredients: Dicamba (Benzoic acid) 100 g/l (as Aminopropylmorpholine salt); MCPA (Phenoxy compound) 250 g/l (as Aminopropylmorpholine salt) HARMFUL | **Efeko Turfweeder™** 457.5 SL; Reg. No. L8875N-AR 1266 Act No. 36 of 1947 W130103 Act No. 18 of 1999. Active Ingredients: Dicamba (benzoic acid) 120 g/l a.e./s.c. Dicamba as dimethyl amine salt 44.5 g/l; 2,4-D (phenoxy compound) 180 g/l a.e./s.c. 2,4-D as dimethyl amine salt 16.9 g/l; MCPA (phenoxy compound) 157.5 g/l a.e./s.c. MCPA as dimethyl amine salt 93.0 g/l HARMFUL | **Efeko Banweed MCPA:** Reg. No. L0466 N-AR0121 Act No. 36 of 1947 W103201 Act No. 18 of 1999. Active Ingredient: MCPA (Phenoxyacetic acid) 400 g/l (as Potassium salt) HARMFUL | **Efeko No Weed Lawn RTU:** Reg. No. L6244 N-AR0527 Act No. 36 of 1947 W130282 Act No. 18 of 1999. Active Ingredients: Dicamba (Benzoic Acid) 1.2 g/l (as Aminopropylmorpholine Salt); MCPA (Phenoxy Compound) 3.0 g/l (as Aminopropylmorpholine Salt) HARMFUL | **Wonder Lawn & Leaf 7:1:3 (15) + C (8):** Reg. No. K8299 Act No. 36 of 1947, N-F0580, Reg. No. W130553 Act No. 18 of 1999. 95 g/kg N; 14 g/kg P; 41 g/kg K; 80 g/kg C. | **Wonder Deep Green (17) + C (8):** Reg. No. K8581 Act No. 36 of 1947, N-F0627, Reg. No. W130579 Act No. 18 of 1999. 160 g/kg N; 80 g/kg C. | **Wonder Lawn Pest & Green 4:1:1 (21):** Reg. No. L9117 & K8911 Act No. 36 of 1947, N-F1268, Reg. No. W130175 Act No. 18 of 1999. 170 g/kg N; 40 g/kg P; 40 g/kg K; Active Ingredient: Imidacloprid 0.5 g/kg CAUTION

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FERTILISER	Apply Wonder Lawn Pest & Green 60 g/m ² ; Wonder Lawn & Leaf 20 g/m ² .	Apply Wonder Lawn Pest & Green 60 g/m ² ; Wonder Lawn & Leaf 20 g/m ² .	Apply Wonder Deep Green 45 g/m ² .	Apply Wonder Lawn Pest & Green 60 g/m ² ; Wonder Lawn & Leaf 20 g/m ² .	Apply Wonder Lawn & Leaf 20 g/m ² .	Apply Wonder Lawn & Leaf 20 g/m ² .
WATER	Water thoroughly once or twice a week in the morning.	Water thoroughly once or twice a week in the morning.	Water thoroughly once or twice a week in the morning.	Water thoroughly once or twice a week in the morning.	Water thoroughly as necessary.	Water thoroughly as necessary.
WEED CONTROL	Apply Efekto Hormoban APM, Efekto Turfweeder 457,5 SL for larger areas or Efekto No weed Lawn RTU for smaller areas to control weeds. Efekto Banweed is a softer herbicide for use on grasses like Buffalo grass. When using a herbicide on newly planted grass wait at least 3 to 4 months before applying a herbicide.	Apply Efekto Hormoban APM, Efekto Turfweeder 457,5 SL for larger areas or Efekto No weed Lawn RTU for smaller areas to control weeds. Efekto Banweed is a softer herbicide for use on grasses like Buffalo grass. When using a herbicide on newly planted grass wait at least 3 to 4 months before applying a herbicide.	Apply Efekto Hormoban APM, Efekto Turfweeder 457,5 SL for larger areas or Efekto No weed Lawn RTU for smaller areas to control weeds. Efekto Banweed is a softer herbicide for use on grasses like Buffalo grass. When using a herbicide on newly planted grass wait at least 3 to 4 months before applying a herbicide.	Apply Efekto Hormoban APM, Efekto Turfweeder 457,5 SL for larger areas or Efekto No weed Lawn RTU for smaller areas to control weeds. Efekto Banweed is a softer herbicide for use on grasses like Buffalo grass. When using a herbicide on newly planted grass wait at least 3 to 4 months before applying a herbicide.	Apply Efekto Hormoban APM, Efekto Turfweeder 457,5 SL for larger areas or Efekto No weed Lawn RTU for smaller areas to control weeds. Efekto Banweed is a softer herbicide for use on grasses like Buffalo grass. When using a herbicide on newly planted grass wait at least 3 to 4 months before applying a herbicide.	Apply Efekto Hormoban APM, Efekto Turfweeder 457,5 SL for larger areas or Efekto No weed Lawn RTU for smaller areas to control weeds. Efekto Banweed is a softer herbicide for use on grasses like Buffalo grass. When using a herbicide on newly planted grass wait at least 3 to 4 months before applying a herbicide.
PEST CONTROL	Treat with Efekto Plant Protector for the control of mole crickets if there is damage evident, and Efekto Cypermethrin 200 EC for the control of ants, crickets and lawn caterpillars.	Treat with Efekto Plant Protector for the control of mole crickets if there is damage evident, and Efekto Cypermethrin 200 EC for the control of ants, crickets and lawn caterpillars.	Treat with Efekto Plant Protector for the control of mole crickets if there is damage evident, and Efekto Cypermethrin 200 EC for the control of ants, crickets and lawn caterpillars.	Treat with Efekto Plant Protector for the control of mole crickets if there is damage evident, and Efekto Cypermethrin 200 EC for the control of ants, crickets and lawn caterpillars.	Treat with Efekto Kamikaze or Efekto Cypermethrin 200 EC or Efekto Plant Protector or for smaller areas Bio Kill Extra GT if your lawn is prone to harvester termites.	Treat with Efekto Kamikaze or Efekto Cypermethrin 200 EC or Efekto Plant Protector or for smaller areas Bio Kill Extra GT if your lawn is prone to harvester termites.
DISEASE CONTROL	Apply Efekto Lawn Fungicide 500 EC to lawns susceptible to dollar spot, brown patch and anthracnose.	Apply Efekto Lawn Fungicide 500 EC for dollar spot, brown patch, anthracnose and powdery mildew.	Apply Efekto Lawn Fungicide 500 EC to lawns susceptible to dollar spot, brown patch, anthracnose and powdery mildew.	Apply Efekto Lawn Fungicide 500 EC to lawns susceptible to dollar spot, brown patch, anthracnose and powdery mildew.	Apply Efekto Lawn Fungicide 500 EC to lawns susceptible to dollar spot, brown patch, anthracnose and powdery mildew.	Apply Efekto Lawn Fungicide 500 EC to lawns susceptible to dollar spot, brown patch, anthracnose and powdery mildew.
MOWING	Mow weekly and remove clippings.	Mow weekly and remove clippings.	Mow weekly and remove clippings.	Mow weekly and remove clippings.	Mow weekly and remove clippings.	Mow weekly and remove clippings.
SOWING	Address flying moths when they're laying eggs and as the new caterpillars are appearing.	Address flying moths when they're laying eggs and as the new caterpillars are appearing.	Address flying moths when they're laying eggs and as the new caterpillars are appearing.	Address flying moths when they're laying eggs and as the new caterpillars are appearing.	Address flying moths when they're laying eggs and as the new caterpillars are appearing.	Address flying moths when they're laying eggs and as the new caterpillars are appearing.
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TIPS TO GROWING A

LUSH AND HEALTHY SUMMER LAWN

Weeds and lawn insects are coming! Familiar with brown moths attracted to lights at night? These night-flying moths start off as eggs laid amongst lawn leaves, which grow into greenish-brown lawn caterpillars. There can be multiple generations of lawn caterpillars in a year, with caterpillars being most active during summer to autumn.

Signs of lawn caterpillars include bare patches, as well as birds pecking at the lawn in search of caterpillars.



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Turfweeder™ 457,5 SL: Reg. No. L8875
N-AR1266 | Act No. 36 of 1947 W130103



TIP

Test if you have caterpillars by placing a wet cloth on the lawn at night, where you'll find lawn caterpillars underneath the next morning.

TREATMENT

Efeko Cypermethrin 200 EC concentrate is an effective way of controlling lawn caterpillars. Apply in the late afternoon and lightly water the lawn before applying.

Providing your lawn with adequate water and nutrients will help keep it looking lush and green throughout the warmer months. Give the lawn several deep watering sessions each week, rather than more frequent light waterings. If you have lawn caterpillars, use a unique lawn fertiliser with a built-in insecticide to control lawn caterpillars. Apply **Wonder Lawn Pest & Green** to encourage a lush, green lawn and protect against lawn caterpillar infestation within days. Aerating or coring the lawn can help to move the rainfall down into the soil, rather than sitting on the lawn surface and encouraging disease. Use this product as directed, reapplying as per the label instructions.

MOLE CRICKETS

This pest's tunnelling can ruin your lawn. Mole crickets stay deeper in dry soil, but moisture brings them up closer to the soil's surface. They primarily feed underground on the roots of plants especially the grasses of lawns. Mole crickets eat at night and can tunnel as far as 3 - 5 metres.

Look for small mounds of dirt scattered on the soil's surface. Your lawn may feel spongy when you walk on the detached turf from the soil, with grass eventually turning brown and dying where the mole crickets tunnelled.

PREVENTION IS ALWAYS BETTER THAN CURE

Mole crickets can be difficult to control because they burrow deeply below the soil surface, staying there during the day, only to surface at night. Treatments are most effective when applied in early summer, or at the first sign of lawn damage. Mole crickets are most vulnerable when they are young (nymph stage). At this age, they are smaller and closer to the soil surface. To control mole crickets in the lawn, make sure the soil is moist before application, this will encourage the mole crickets to come to the surface. Then apply **Efeko Plant Protector** and follow the label directions.

To get the most enjoyment out of your summer lawn, control untidy, prickly or invasive weeds in your turf. You can easily tame the most common broadleaf weeds in lawns before they take over in only a few minutes by using our **Efeko** selective weed killers.

If you have a Cynodon, Kikuyu or LM Berea lawn, apply **Efeko Hormoban APM** or **Efeko Turfweeder 457.5 SL**. If you have a Buffalo lawn, it's important to choose weed killers that are safe for buffalo, like **Efeko Banweed MCPA**. Apply weed killers over the weed affected lawn areas. Before using a weed killer, fertilise first with some **Wonder Organic Vita-Boost** or **Wonder Lawn & Leaf** - it will also give the lawn a quick burst of nutrients to promote healthy rich green growth.

For small lawns or small patches of weeds, **Efeko No Weed Lawn RTU** is a handy ready-to-use spray to control broadleaf weeds in non-Buffalo lawns. Use the product as directed, reapplying if necessary.

SUMMER IS HERE

CONTROLLING PESTS BY PROVINCE



ZONE 1: COASTAL SUMMER RAINFALL

Coastal towns of KwaZulu-Natal and the Eastern Cape

Conditions: This region is characterised by dry, frost-free winters, as it is influenced by the warm Indian Ocean — a happily frost-free zone that does not require much transitioning to spring. Along the southern regions, they experience winter rainfall and have cooler conditions. As the coastal city of Port Elizabeth (known as the Windy City) is prone to harsh gusts, be sure to invest in well-rooted plants. Due to the moist and warm conditions of this region, it makes for a prime pest zone after summer rains.

Pests: Flies, mosquitoes, harvester termites, cockroaches

Products: *Efekto No Insect Indoors NF Flying Insects, Efekto Kamikaze, Efekto No Insect Indoors NF Cockroaches RTU, Efekto Fendona 6 SC*

ZONE 2: COASTAL WINTER RAINFALL

Coastal Southern Cape and Table Mountain

Conditions: This zone contains subtropical plants and experiences a nearly frost-free winter, if not a very light short duration of frost. As the soils are derived from Table Mountain, they are generally poor in this area, which limits the choice of plants in this zone. Warmer weather is set in, perfect for pests to make their way into homes and gardens.

Pests: Black garden crickets, mosquitoes, mice and rats

Products: *Efekto Karbadust, Efekto Eco Rat and bait station, Efekto Fendona 6 SC*

Be sure to browse *Wonder fertilisers* to enhance your soil's nutrition.

ZONE 3: WINTER RAINFALL KAROO

Northern and coastal regions of Namaqualand

Conditions: This region is subject to either no frost or light frost. The region experiences winter rainfall, yet also summer rainfall in the eastern parts. The soil here is quite rich in minerals and many subtropical plants grow well — if they are watered sufficiently and planted in areas where frost is light.

Pests: Cicadas, garden caterpillars, chafer beetles

Products: *Efekto Karbadust, Efekto Cypermethrin 200EC, Efekto Malasol*

ZONE 4: SUMMER RAINFALL KAROO/HIGHVELD

The "great escarpment"

Conditions: In this zone, winter frost limits outdoor plant choice. Good to know though, there are wide choices of frost-resistant plants that work well here. Summers experience rainfall and then have dry winters. In the north-western areas, however, the rainfall is very low. When you select your plants for this area, keep this in mind.

Pests: Cicadas, garden caterpillars, chafer beetles

Products: *Efekto Karbadust, Efekto Cypermethrin 200EC, Efekto Malasol*

ZONE 5: BUSHVELD SUMMER RAINFALL

Bushveld region

Conditions: Think dry, mild winters, with the possibility of frost being a problem in higher-lying regions. While the eastern part receives a fair amount of rainfall, the northern and western areas are drier. Although soils do differ, they are generally quite rich and residents here have a vast choice of plants for this region. Rich soils mean lush plants and all sorts of hungry pests feasting on your garden. Think of all the pests that sting and bite as prime concerns for summer pests.

Pests: Mites, mosquitoes, fleas and ants

Products: *Efekto Karbadust, Efekto Fendona 6 SC, Efekto's range of flea solutions, Efekto Ant*

PROTECT YOUR PET AGAINST

TICKS AND FLEAS THIS SUMMER



FLEAS

While fleas are active all year round, they have heightened activity in the warmer seasons, especially summer.

These pesky parasites live on specific hosts as they feed (biting and sucking on blood) and reproduce. Some fleas have evolved to attack only dogs, cats or birds. And in just a few days, a female flea can lay up to several hundred eggs. Yikes!

Outside the home, fleas thrive and reproduce in shaded, moist, and undisturbed areas. Debris left in the yard, bushy plants or overgrown grasses create ideal hiding places where they multiply, causing an infestation.

SIGNS OF FLEAS ON DOGS

Your pet may itch more than usual and have slight hair loss from biting their skin. Check your pet's armpit and groin areas, as they are warm and protected (choice environments for fleas). Part your pet's fur with your fingers or a flea comb to expose the skin. If they have fleas, you may notice:

- Your pet's skin appearing red, bumpy and scabby (especially if your pet has been scratching).
- Crawling and jumping tiny adult fleas. You can identify fleas by: small jumping insects without wings; dark brown in appearance; hard bodies with longer back legs.
- Hatched or cocooned larvae that are pupating (developing into adults).

TIP

Look for 'flea dirt': During your inspection, you may see tiny black specks appearing like finely ground black pepper. This excrement is commonly called 'flea dirt' and a possible sign of a flea infestation.

Trick: To distinguish flea dirt from ordinary dirt, have white paper towel and water on hand.

Collect the black specks that fall off your pet with the paper towel. Then, sprinkle the specks with drops of water. If they turn a dark reddish-brown colour — it's likely flea dirt.

HORSES AND STABLES

While certain fleas have developed to parasitise either dogs or cats, they are not currently evolved to attack horses. However, there are occasions where horses can be accidentally parasitised.

This happens in the case of:

- An unhealthy or ungroomed horse
- Your horse entering a flea-infested stable
- Cats and dogs with fleas entering stables
- A horse rubbing in flea-infested grasses

As with dogs and cats, horses will display signs of:

- Irritated skin and/or hair loss
- Scratching a region of its coat regularly
- Secondary infections (which happen when the horse continues scratching)

TICKS

Unlike fleas, ticks are not insects. Ticks are arachnids (like spiders) and feed on blood, but do not live on their hosts. Instead, they detach themselves when they are full.

Ticks are distributed worldwide but are prevalent in warm humid regions. In temperate regions, ticks are found mostly in spring.

Unlike fleas, ticks do not have a specific host, which means they can be parasites to different species of hosts. These include mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians and more. It is imperative to keep ticks off your animals as they transmit several diseases and can cause anaemia.

BIRDS AND POULTRY

Birds are prone to ticks and especially fleas in the spring nesting season. Flea larvae feed on nesting materials, while adult fleas attach to young birds.

Ticks attach around the eyes, bill, and head — any area difficult to preen. Ticks will attach, feed, and then drop off birds, without any long term consequences.

Large birds (guinea fowl, turkeys and chickens) eat ticks. Small birds pick fleas out of the grass and remove fleas while preening. However, birds are unable to control infestations — you need to stop pests from landing on their bodies, cages and coops.

Treatment and solutions

To maintain control, taking preventative measures to protect your animals is key. If you already have found signs and symptoms of ticks and fleas, we have developed our **ultimate flea control and prevention guide** to help you regain a pest-free environment. In it, you'll find all of our tick and flea solutions in sprays, powders and shampoos for: animal bodies, coops, stables, beds, carpets and bedding material.

OUR SOLUTIONS

 **Bio Kill Equine & Stable Spray**
Ready-to-use emulsion for the control of biting midges, house flies, stable flies and ticks on horses, in stables and horse boxes.

 **Bio Kill Pet Care**
A ready-to-use product to control ticks and fleas on dogs.

 **Karbadust**
An insecticide dusting powder for the home garden (lawns and ornamentals) and animal use (on dogs, cats, poultry, and birds). A residual contact and stomach poison to control ticks and fleas.

 **Karbowash Dog Shampoo**
A wettable powder shampoo formulation as a dip — to control ticks and fleas on dogs.



Karbadust: Reg. No. L0493 G0196 | N-AR0148 | Act No. 36 of 1947 W130190
Karbowash Dog Shampoo: Reg. No. G0659 | N-AR0149 | Act No. 36 of 1947
Bio Kill Pet Care: Reg. No. G2169 | N-AR0483 | Act No. 36 of 1947 W1301074



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We hope our Summer Pest Control Guide has been helpful! If you have a question related to summer gardening that we haven't quite answered, don't hesitate to get in touch with us.

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