



# Make Your Own DIY Pest Repellent

This homemade pest repellent utilizes completely natural and safe ingredients to protect pollinators and drive away pests. The strong-smelling ingredients are used as an "olfactory deterrent" and will help repel a variety of pests. The pungent smell can help disguise your plants from pests like aphids, birds and even rabbits!

Apply it regularly for best results, as it washes off easily in rain or moisture. Apply in the early morning (for pests that are active during the day) or in the evening (to deter nocturnal pests). Avoid applying during the heat of the day.





## *Ingredients*

- Garlic oil (homemade or store-bought)
- Peppermint castile soap (We like Dr. Bronner's brand)
- 1 cup water

**Equipment:** Spray bottle

## *Directions*

In your spray bottle, incorporate 1 tablespoon of garlic oil and 1 teaspoon of peppermint castile soap. Fill the remainder of the bottle with water. Shake vigorously before each use to fully incorporate ingredients.

*Note: It is best to always test any new spray on a single leaf and wait a day to observe results before applying to the whole plant.*

