

Did You Know...?

BUGS

It is that time of year when the critters come visiting....ants, spiders, fly, millipedes, etc. Stink bugs (halyomorha halys) are another matter! Currently there are numerous household products which can eradicate the ordinary bugs BUT not the stink bug. Ortho home Pest Control is the "go-to" product for home invading insects, this product has a mild scent, and can be sprayed on all surfaces — no stains.

On the subject of stink bugs, there is no over-the-counter products available which will kill these critters. If you have an infestation a licensed pest control service is required. Stink bugs survive by finding warm locations to hibernate during the cold weather (attic areas, in piles of old newspapers, cardboard boxes). Stink bugs can be vacuumed away, but use of your household vacuum is NOT recommended, the odor these bugs release will be trapped in your vacuum. A shop vac or the old broom and dustpan are better suited. Try not to squash them as this will also release the odor.

This time of year the live ones are trying to find a way out of your house. They don't want to cohabitate with you!

For those of you who find any bugs distasteful, the stink bug does not bite and is not known to carry any illnesses.