

# Bee Friendly: Natural Remedies for Happy Pollinators



## Soap Spray

Mix 1½ teaspoons of a mild liquid *soap* (such as castile soap) with 1 quart of water. Spray mixture directly on infected surfaces of plants. Apply in evenings or early mornings.

## Neem Oil Spray

Mix 1 teaspoon of *neem oil* and ½ teaspoon of liquid dish soap with one quart of warm water. Shake well. Spray the solution on all surfaces of leaves. (Can be an eye and skin irritant so be aware when using).

## Epsom Salt Spray

Dissolve one cup of the *salts* in five gallons of water. Decant in a spray bottle and apply to affected plants. This will work to burn slugs and beetles, ensuring they keep their distance.

## Vinegar Water Spray

Mix five parts *vinegar*, 2 parts water and 1 part dish soap and apply with a hand pump sprayer. Vinegar can burn grass and garden plants so spot spray weeds only.

## Corn Gluten

Apply *corn gluten* once before weeds emerge to reduce survival of weed seedlings by 60%. After several years, this method provides 90% weed control.

## Rabbit and Groundhog Out

All natural. Ingredients: oils of lemon grass, castor, clove leaf, peppermint, garlic; peppermint powder, white pepper, putrescent egg yolks. Avoid spraying in or near eyes.