

# Mosquito Elimination Tips

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## TOP 5

Spend your late afternoons outside enjoying your peaceful water garden without constantly swatting away a swarm of biting insects. Since mosquitoes breed in any still water they can find, having a pond in your backyard may invite these annoying pests. Although you cannot eliminate mosquitoes entirely, you can significantly decrease their population. Here are our Top 5 Tips your family's mosquito swat team should have in its arsenal:



Fountain Pump

Mosquito Dunk

- 1 Stir Up Stagnant Water Breeding Areas**

Mosquitoes avoid breeding in moving water. Add a water feature such as a [waterfall](#), [fountain](#), or [aerator](#). These options will not only enhance your pond's beauty, but will also prevent it from becoming a breeding ground for mosquitoes.
- 2 Declare Biological Warfare on Swimming Larvae**

Fortify your pond with a product that contains a natural larvicide, such as [Microbe-Lift](#) or [Mosquito Dunks](#). They are safe for people, pets, plants, and fish, but effectively eradicate mosquito larvae without harmful chemicals.
- 3 Call in the Mosquito-Eating Air Force**

Give mosquito-swooping bats a home by placing a [bat house](#) in your backyard. Bats are renowned for keeping night-flying insects at bay, and a favorite bat meal is mosquitoes.

"Bat"chelor Pad



Mosquito Trap



Koi

**4 Set a Bug Ambush**  
Capture mosquitoes using a variety of [poison-free insect traps](#). These feature non toxic pheromones or appetizing food-based baits to attract and trap annoying pests inside a plastic jar.

**5 Stock Fish to Stalk Mosquitoes from Below**  
[Koi](#), [Goldfish](#), and [other larvae-eating fish](#) feast on mosquitoes below the surface of your pond. These mosquito-hungry fish are great for your pond and water garden but [should not be released to any natural body of water](#). In fact, they could cause more harm that easily overshadows their mosquito-eating benefit.

Remember, mosquitoes are more than just pesky insects - they are also carriers of West Nile Virus and heartworm. Taking steps to prevent your pond from becoming a neighborhood breeding ground will benefit your family's health while making those evenings by the pond more enjoyable for everyone.

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