

## Homeowner tips for removing pigeons



Many home owners contact Hot Foot wanting tips on how they can remove pesky pigeons from their residence. Apart from the constant coo coo coo-ing in the early hours of the morning there is the ever before present and increasing level of bird “do do” that accumulates about the house and walkways usually where people walk and meet up with socially.

Occasionally we receive more desperate calls with regards to mites that have entered the home, originating in older and more proven pigeon nests.

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#### The Attraction of Water

Pigeons need a readily available origin of water especially in summer time when temperatures soar into the 90’s and 100’s. They may be seen roosting close to these solutions and these are usually this is where your fecal matter and feathers and so on accumulate rapidly. Look at the right after photos and you can see great deal of pigeons sitting facing the water fountain below where water is quickly available. They are crowding beneath the shade lines and even for the awnings. As the flock boosts in number then the birds will distributed to other shaded areas for example balconies, under air conditioners, under roof solar panels and so on.

#### Tip No.1

Try to dry up an sources of water available to birds for example standing water from air conditioners, drinking water in flower pots, horticulture water and such like. Certainly water in fountains is not something that is desirable to remove but even a temporary removal for a week or so may help out with forcing these birds to go look elsewhere. Or put stones in areas where water will be ponding so birds cannot get their beaks in there for an easy drink.

#### Tip Number 2

Install repellents including Hot Foot Gel or hot Foot springwire on any surface where these birds are getting before walking in to take a drink. Look at the photo below which shows how 1 building owner installed your springwire system around his fountain to stay away from the pigeons from landing and being able to require a drink.

No longer can your disrespectful pigeons simply fly and find the ledges to take a drink and “leave their mark”. Effective only on larger birds like pigeons, gulls and crows, it leaves small birds free gain access to to the water and not be influenced away by their much more dominant cousins.

#### Tip Number 3

The first and most significant tip when confronted with accumulated bird faecal matter is NOT TO CLEAN IT UP IN DRY FORM. Always wet it lower before attempting clean up and also preferably use a sterilizing broker in your clean up water.

#### Tip Number 4

There have ended 40 known virus and 60 transmittable diseases directly attributable to birds and their fecal matter. Birds also carry up to 10 parasites on their legs, wings and bodies and these normally co-exist in bird nests that are active. Due to these known hygiene problems, areas which form the subject of virtually any bird or other animal abatement program should be sanitized and washed prior to any repellents being used.

#### Tip Number 5

Prevent the Birds from returning

Preventing birds from returning can be as simple as installing some Hot Foot resistant gel or spikes on the ledges in which they are roosting; installing some metallic mesh around the “dormers” to force birds from the shade line or putting in some netting across locations the pigeons are entering the cover area. The photos down below illustrate what we are saying.

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