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## Post: Humanely remove an insect

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### Content

Usually insects and other animals deemed 'pests' really aren't. They're smart creatures that just get displaced or humans start occupying their living space and don't know what to do. Then they go to humans to help them out. Instead of letting them down (through killing them), instead brainstorm together to realize they're as much inhabitants of this planet as we are and it's up to all of us to work together to get by. Through understanding and relating, we can all find our niche!

### Notes/warnings:

- This article is for removing it from one's body, not from a location (like an infestation)
  - The maybe/no methods should be used with caution, as they may harm the insect
  - By the same token, if the risk of using these methods is unreasonable or outweighs the benefits (like the insect being a severe danger to someone), then they won't help and other means might be more necessary.
- \* if you can't be intuitive with animals and life around you, try in different ways until you tap into the senses  
- usually this involves heightening them to be more aware until it's easier to see

### Try:

- **best:** hold finger from another hand for it to walk on and when it's on, place it on another surface
- slide a flat sheet underneath to scoop it off
- let it walk on its own onto another surface
  - preferably bring it back to where it came from, so it walks off to there
- flies only: shine a larger light source outside the room it's in to get it out
- for flying insects - wait until it flies off
- explain to the insect what to do
- - especially to send it to where it needs to go, out of your way, or towards something that sets their life up (and out of your way)
  - \* brainstorm with them
- \* use non-lethal deterrents (on one's skin) and attractants (to one's body)
- \* giving it a lifestyle (tasks, purpose, etc.) that would help you out (and/or it)
- \* working with the animal to get by
  - pay attention to what it's doing to get out of the way (as it might leave on its own and it would need your help to move (not you move it))
  - think with the animal and collaborate by creating a plan together to benefit each other
    - \* execute when it's decided
- \* -> protect it - from malicious-intending individuals
  - ex - humans
  - that only want to hurt it
    - \* i.e. - shield the insect and then educate those -> be better
    - so they know - and can do better
    - \* as usually - they might not realize it
    - and you pointed it out -> make them aware

### While it's on you:

- consider oneself lucky
- make a wish (for the animal and you)
- observe it
- show others (only if they're nice)
- help it out with what it needs
- \* wait for it to leave on its own
  - make sure it's headed in the right direction
  - \* if not - let it know (by pointing it out to them)
  - so they can know and do better
- \* coexist - show it around and introduce it to your life
  - educate it - on what you're about!
- befriend it
- take a picture

- \* use the time as practice in connecting intuitively with them
  - being a great opportunity -> connect with animals this close up
- \* learn, do research - document their lives
  - share findings - on the internet
  - \* i.e. - personal website
- \* examine it
  - i.e. - make sure it's healthy and capable
  - \* to know nothing's wrong
  - if there is - there might be something impacting you too potentially
  - \* -> tend ->
- \* enjoy the moment (and their company - -> not be alone)
  - take it as an opportunity to go and have fun
  - \* sharing your life with another
  - instead of being by yourself in it
  - maybe if it enjoys your company too
  - \* you both can discuss how to continue it!
  - maybe other would join in too!
- \* relax - instead of working oneself up
  - think beneficial thoughts

### Prevention:

- \* stay away from areas filled with insects
- \* keep attractants away and use non-lethal deterrents to keep insects away

### Last resort (and why):

- blowing - might blow it into something it can't get out of
- brushing - might accidentally injure it
- shoing - might scare them into shock



## Comments

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