Look who's in the garden

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Garden Visitors

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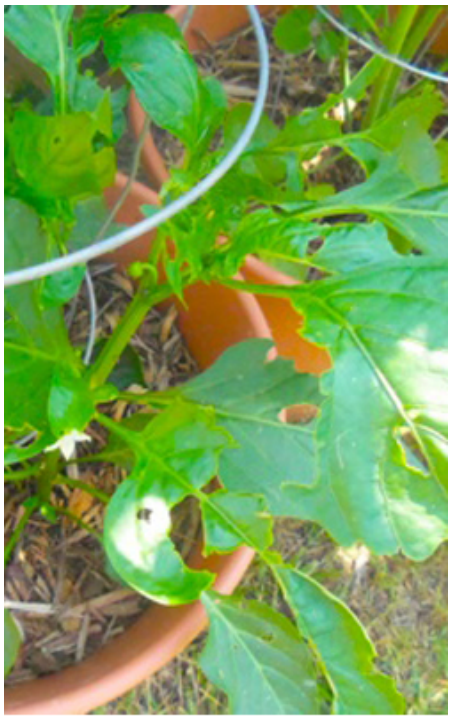

We've all been there before...
Plants are flourishing one minute, and the next, there are holes in the leaves — you've been invaded.

But when should you fight back, and how? Add these tips to your arsenal to protect your plants and claim gardening victory.

GARDEN PROTECTION FROM DAY ONE
Your garden will battle everything from the elements to an array of critters big and small this season. However, one of the most unwanted garden visitors is disease. It comes in a variety of forms and can be devastating. Joe Lamp'l, founder of Joe Gardener®, shares six proactive tips for successful, disease-free gardening.
1) Start with great soil
2) Keep the garden clean
3) Control the water
4) Mulch your beds
5) Inspect daily
6) Anticipate the unexpected

Learn More About These Tips

IDENTIFYING GARDEN VISITORS
The first step in getting your unwanted visitors to leave is figuring out who they are. Insects generally have to be picked off or sprayed, but other critters need to be fenced out. To find out what's visiting you, check out the great guide at the National Gardening Association's Pest Control Library.

See Who's In Your Garden

A RECIPE FOR SUCCESS
If you want an all-purpose organic insecticide, look no further. Our friends at

Growing a Greener World have this recipe for success:
1 bulb of garlic
1 small onion
1 tablespoon cayenne (red) pepper
2 tablespoons liquid soap
1 quart water
Spray bottle
Use sparingly and apply either in the cool of the evening or early in the morning for the least plant damage.

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