



APPENDIX A: SOURCES OF INFORMATION

SINCE *WILD NEIGHBORS* WAS FIRST published, the amount of information on urban wildlife has grown exponentially, particularly with respect to what can be found through the Internet. This is something of a blessing and something of a curse, since information on problem solving is not only much more comprehensive now, but also much more difficult and time-consuming to digest. We list below a few of the many resources available for those interested in finding out more about urban wildlife in general, accessing agencies that deal with wildlife, or learning about the many different approaches and philosophies that exist with respect to this growing area of interest.

The fact that we list resources that do not always subscribe to the humane approach as we see it does not mean that we endorse or condone them. We feel people deserve an opportunity to better educate themselves about some of the alternative ways in which the issues have been considered. Education, even with respect to competing and alternative viewpoints, is still the fundamental and critical basis for the humane approach.

First Stop

General information on The HSUS can be found at our main website: www.humanesociety.org. The urban wildlife program can be located at: www.humanesociety.org/wildneighbors. For information on our Wildlife Land Trust, visit us at: www.wlt.org or call 1-800-729-SAVE.

HSUS Regional Offices

The HSUS's regional offices are able to assist anyone involved in a wildlife issue that encompasses community concerns or action. With their regional and state-specific staffers, these offices handle animal-related issues ranging from animal abuse to information on local humane societies to wildlife regulations, to help you make the right connections. Look for information on regional programs and issues on www.humanesociety.org by typing "regional office" in the search box.

Reading for Pleasure

In the first edition of *Wild Neighbors*, we tried to identify some of the more prominent sources and references for urban wildlife-control techniques and strategies. This time we thought we'd recommend some of the popular, nontechnical literature on urban wildlife to give those of you who just want to enjoy reading about this subject some idea of the richness of the resources available. We've also added a few offbeat references that have come to our attention since the first edition, including (unknown to us at the time) a book entitled *Wild Neighbors* that was published in 1899.

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Newsletters and Periodicals

The *Urban Open Space Manager* newsletter is published quarterly by Urban Wildlife Resources, Columbia, Md.; 410-997-7161, <http://users.erols.com/urbanwildlife/openspace.htm>. Available by subscription at \$15 per year.

Urban Nature magazine is published by Urban Environment, Birmingham, England. Contact the publisher for up-to-date subscription prices. Telephone +44 121-428-2462. (Within the United Kingdom: 0121-428-2462.) <http://members.aol.com/UrbanEnvvt/welcome.htm>; urbanenvvt@aol.com.

The National Wildlife Federation publishes the *Conservation Directory and Backyard Habitat Program* newsletter. The Conservation Directory, searchable online at www.nwff.org/conservationdirectory/, is the most comprehensive guide to government, state, and private organizations that deal with conservation issues. The Backyard Wildlife Program of the NWF is a long-standing series of resources that encourages people to enhance the value of their yards for wildlife. Contact NWF at 202-797-6800 or visit www.nwff.org.

Federal Agencies

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Pesticide Programs

National Pesticide Information Center: 800-858-7378, www.epa.gov/pesticides/.

U.S. Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS-ADC) Wildlife Services, Washington, D.C. 866-4USDA-W5 (4873-297), www.aphis.usda.gov/ws/.

National Wildlife Research Center, Ft. Collins, Colo., 970-266-6000.

Cooperative Extension System offices. This webpage provides links to find USDA Cooperative Extension offices in each U.S. state and territory. www.csrees.usda.gov/Extension/index.html.

U.S. Department of the Interior, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Washington, D.C., 800-344-WILD(9453), www.fws.gov.

Links to U.S. state and territorial wildlife agencies can be found at this page of USFWS's website: www.fws.gov/offices/statelinks.html.

Wildlife Rehabilitation

National Wildlife Rehabilitators Association,
Cloud, Minn., 320-230-9920,
nwra@wildlife.org, www.nwrawildlife.org.

International Wildlife Rehabilitation
Council, San Jose, Calif., 408-271-2685,
office@iwrc-online.org, www.iwrc-online.org.
The IWRC maintains an international
directory of wildlife rehabilitators that
can be accessed directly at:

[www.wildlife-international.org/EN/public/
emergency/emergencyrehab.html](http://www.wildlife-international.org/EN/public/emergency/emergencyrehab.html).

Another site that lists rehabilitators
is: www.tc.umn.edu/~devo0028.

Instructions for making a raptor perch
can be found at: [www.inhs.uiuc.edu/~kenr/
birdperchinstruct.html](http://www.inhs.uiuc.edu/~kenr/birdperchinstruct.html).



APPENDIX B

Retail Sources for Products to Resolve Wildlife Conflicts

This appendix suggests sources for products used in nonlethal wildlife conflict resolution that have been discussed in other sections of this book. *No endorsement of specific brands, companies, or product lines by The Humane Society of the United States is implied or intended by inclusion here or reference elsewhere in the book.* We suggest where to find products, including names and contact information for providers of some products, that are deemed humane and that can be appropriate in nonlethal animal control under proper circumstances.

Although the list is not complete, we have included suggestions for the types of merchants to check for commonly available products and specific vendors who, at the time of publication, sold less commonly available or specialized products. Since publication of the first edition of *Wild Neighbors*, Internet-based marketing has expanded significantly to the point that anyone with access to the Internet can readily search for vendors of even the most uncommon and specialized products very quickly.

Exclusion Products

Animal-Resistant Trash Containers

BUNGEE OR SHOCK CORDS

Check for them at home and hardware stores; marine and motorcycle suppliers; or sporting goods suppliers, especially those that sell camping, boating, biking, and climbing equipment.

CONTAINERS WITH SCREW-ON LIDS

A plastic container design to exclude animals such as raccoons or, with modification, larger animals such as bears.

Animal-Resistant Can

www.animalresistantcan.com
800-914-4771

Critter Can (offers do-it-yourself instructions to find materials and make your own, plus link to a vendor selling a finished product)

www.crittercan.org

973-853-BEAR (2327)

BEAR-RESISTANT CONTAINERS

Most that claim to be “bear-proof” are sturdy metal containers with latching lids. Plastic containers above and from Bear Saver and UnBearAble Bins, below, are also sold for household trash in bear country.

Bear Proof, Inc.

www.bearproofinc.com
970-309-2460

Bear Saver
www.bearsaver.com
909-605-1697

UnBearAble Bins
www.unbearablebins.com
403-609-2242

Bafflers

Bafflers to prevent mammals such as raccoons and squirrels from getting into birdfeeders are the most widely varied and widely available products to prevent conflicts with wild animals. Look for bafflers as separate add-ons for your existing feeders or for feeders that incorporate bafflers from any of the many suppliers of feeders; home, garden, or hardware retailers as well as retailers that specialize in bird-feeding products. Bafflers to prevent predators from robbing nests in birdhouses are sold by similar merchants, particularly those who specialize in backyard bird products.

Bird Wires or Roost Inhibitors

These physically exclude birds from roosting in places they are unwelcome; include bird wire, bird spikes, bird coils, and similar devices. Small kits are sold by large catalog and Web retailers too numerous to list here who mainly market products for homes and gardens. These retailers specialize in bird control and similar products.

Bird Barrier America
www.birdbarrier.com
800-503-5444

Bird B Gone
www.birdbgone.com
800-392-6915

Birdbusters
www.birdbusters.com
800-662-4737

Bird Guard
www.birdguard.com
800-331-2973

Bird-X, Inc.
www.bird-x.com
800-662-502

Cat Claw, Inc.
www.catclaw.com
800-832-2473

Nixalite of America
www.nixalite.com
888-624-1189

Bulb Cages and Gopher Baskets

Premade gopher baskets are sold regionally where burrowers are particularly prevalent. Unfortunately, most retailers who sell these humane prevention products also sell inhumane lethal traps and poisons for the same species. Shop carefully. Premade bulb cages may be found seasonally at bulb-planting time where flower bulbs are sold and from the vendor below. Large catalog and Web retailers who mainly market products for homes and gardens also sometimes offer them.

Gardener's Supply Company
www.gardeners.com
888-833-1412

Plant Covers

Look for cloches, row covers, and garden fabric to cover young plants early in the growing season at nurseries, home, and garden suppliers.

Wire Mesh, Caulking, and Foam Sealants

A wide variety of caulking and foam sealants are sold by home and hardware retailers. The best wire mesh for excluding animals, made of copper, is a little harder to find but the sources listed offer it. To find it on the Web, try searching by the brand name "Stuf-fit" or by "copper wire mesh." It is available from some pest-control supply retailers that sell this humane prevention product, along with inhumane lethal traps and poisons. Shop carefully, check these vendors, or contact the manufacturer for information on distributors.

Nixalite of America
www.nixalite.com
888-624-1189

Allen Special Products
(manufacturer)
800-848-6805

Chimney Caps

Caps are widely available from home and hardware suppliers and from chimney sweeps.

Fencing

APRON OR L-SHAPED FENCES/BARRIERS

Keystone Steel and Wire Co.
(check website or call for distributor)
www.redbrand.com
800-447-6444

Louis E. Page
www.louispage.com
800-225-0508

COYOTE ROLLER

Roll Guard, Inc.
www.coyoteroller.com
619-258-2600

LIGHT- TO MEDIUM-DUTY FENCING

Sold mainly as deer fencing in a variety of gauges and sizes, it is widely available from garden suppliers and nurseries as well as these vendors.

Benner's Gardens
www.bennersgardens.com
800-244-3337

Deer-Resistant Landscape Nursery
www.deerresistantplants.com
800-595-3650

Gardener's Supply Company
www.gardeners.com
888-833-1412

Kencove Farm Fence, Inc.
www.kencove.com
800-536-2683

Keystone Steel and Wire Co.
(check website or call for distributor)
www.redbrand.com
800-447-6444

Louis E. Page
www.louispage.com
800-225-0508

HIGH-TENSILE NONELECTRIC FENCING

This staple of agricultural fencing that uses either multiple smooth wires or woven wire installed under tension to make a strong barrier for large animals is widely available from farm suppliers, including these.

Kencove Farm Fence, Inc.
www.kencove.com
800-536-2683

Keystone Steel and Wire Co.
(check website or call for distributor)
www.redbrand.com
800-447-6444

Max-Flex Fence Systems
www.maxflex.com
800-356-5458

Hardware Cloth and Welded Wire

These staples of home maintenance and do-it-yourself projects are readily available from just about any hardware and home improvement retailer.

Netting

This versatile product is widely available from home and garden supply retailers and nurseries, especially during the planting and growing season, and from specialized retailers of bird and deer-control products and backyard pond products year-round.

One-way Doors (Animal Excluders)

These are modified from live-trap designs and, therefore, are sold by trap retailers. They can be found from some pest-control supply retailers that sell this humane product, along with inhumane lethal traps and poisons.

Shop carefully. Here are two retailers that offer excluders.

Pet Warehouse Superstore
www.petsafe-warehouse.com
407-349-2525

Tomahawk Live Trap Company
www.livetrapp.com
800-272-8727

Vent Covers

These covers are readily available from stores, catalogs, and Web retailers that sell products for homes.

Tree Protectors

These are sometimes sold by garden suppliers and nurseries, particularly during planting season. This specialty vendor offers them to the public.

Treessentials Company
www.treessentials.com
800-248-8239

Window Well Covers

Find these at home and hardware suppliers for do-it-yourselfers or have a window contractor install.

Aversive Conditioning

Acoustical Alarms

Shop carefully to distinguish between these effective alarms and similar-looking ultrasonic products, discussed in chapter 8, often marketed with very similar claims. Look for alarms by searching the Web for the brand name Critter Gitter, check home improvement and pet retailers, or check these.

Amtek
www.amteket.com
800-762-7618

Margo Supplies, Ltd.
www.margosupplies.com
403-652-1932

Bird Distress Calls

Bird Barrier America
www.birdbarrier.com
800-503-5444

Birdbusters
www.birdbusters.com
800-662-4737

Bird Guard
www.birdguard.com
800-331-2973

Bird-X, Inc.
www.bird-x.com
800-662-5021

Margo Supplies, Ltd.
www.margosupplies.com
403-652-1932

Nixalite of America
www.nixalite.com
888-624-1189

Pet Warehouse Superstore
www.petsafe-warehouse.com
407-349-2525

Reed-Joseph International
www.reed-joseph.com
800-647-5554

Effigies, Scarecrows, and Kites

Simple, stationary effigies and scarecrows (those least likely to work) are sold by many vendors, too numerous to list here.

Electric Shock

ELECTRIC FENCING

High-tensile fences are frequently electrified to exclude large wildlife species, especially deer, but also bear and predators. They are widely available from farm suppliers, including these.

ElectroBraid Fence Ltd.
(check website or call for distributor)
www.electrobraid.com
888-430-3330

Gallagher Animal Management Solutions
(check website or call for distributor)
www.gallagherusa.com
800-531-5908

Kencove Farm Fence, Inc.
www.kencove.com
800-536-2683

Max-Flex Fence Systems
www.maxflex.com
800-356-5458

Premier 1 Supplies
www.premier1supplies.com
800-282-6631

Zareba Systems
(check website or call for distributor)
www.zarebasystems.com
800-272-9877

ELECTRIC FENCING KITS FOR HOME GARDENS AND PONDS

Look for kits for small to medium-size home gardens at nurseries and garden suppliers; look for kits for home ponds at suppliers of home pond products; or check these vendors.

Fi-Shock, Inc.
(check website or call for distributor)
www.fishock.com
800-251-9288

Pet Warehouse Superstore
www.petsafe-warehouse.com
407-349-2525

Zareba Systems
(check website or call for distributor)
www.zarebasystems.com
800-272-9877

ELECTRIC SHOCK DEER POSTS

A set of posts sold by numerous nurseries and garden suppliers, including these, eliminates the fence wires entirely.

Gardener's Supply Company
www.gardeners.com
888-833-1412

Wireless Deer Fence
www.wirelessdeerfence.com
866-GOT-DEER (468-3337)

ELECTRIC SHOCK TRACK OR WIRES FOR BIRDS

These electrified tracks can be installed professionally, similar to nonelectrified bird wires.

Bird Barrier America
www.birdbarrier.com
800-503-5444

Bird B Gone
www.birdbgone.com
800-392-6915

Birdbusters
www.birdbusters.com
800-662-4737

Scare Balloons

This standby for deterring unwelcome wild animals is widely available from home, hardware, and garden retailers, and from the vendors listed for other bird-related products in this appendix.

Scare Tape

This standby product is also widely available from home, hardware, and garden retailers, and from the vendors listed for other bird-related products in this appendix.

Sprinklers

Motion-activated sprinklers are sold by many home, hardware, and garden retailers as well as these vendors.

Bird B Gone
www.birdbgone.com
800-392-6915

Bird-X, Inc.
www.bird-x.com
800-662-5021

Contech
www.scatmat.com
800-767-8658

Nixalite of America
www.nixilite.com
888-624-1189

Pet Warehouse Superstore
www.petsafe-warehouse.com
407-349-2525

Lights and Lasers

STROBE LIGHTS

Some acoustical alarms (above) incorporate strobes. Inexpensive strobe lights are sold by many home gadget retailers. The vendors listed below sell larger, more expensive units for either roosting birds or squirrels in attics.

Bird-X, Inc.
www.bird-x.com
800-662-5021

Evictor Products
www.squirrelevector.com

Pet Warehouse Superstore
www.petsafe-warehouse.com
407-349-2525

LASERS

Use only lasers made and sold specifically for bird harassment to scare some bird species, including geese and crows, from night roosting areas.

Birdbusters
www.birdbusters.com
800-662-4737

JWB Marketing
www.birdcontrolsupplies.com
800-555-9634

Margo Supplies, Ltd.
www.margosupplies.com
403-652-1932

Reed-Joseph International
www.reedjoseph.com
800-647-5554

SEA Technology
www.shopseatech.com
888-732-2246

Chemical Repellents

Repellents, especially deer repellents, are very widely available from garden supplies stores, plant nurseries, home and hardware stores, catalogs, and Web retailers. Repellent vendors are so numerous that listing them would make a book in itself. Shop carefully to distinguish predator urine (discussed in chapter 6) from other products, since they are frequently sold together with similar labeling and marketing claims. Listed here are sources for a few repellents that are harder to find.

Anthraquinone Goose Repellent

SePRO Corporation
(check website or call for referral to local applicator)
www.flightcontrol.com
877-554-3373

Methyl Anthranilate Bird Repellent for Fogging

While many vendors of bird-control products sell the repellent alone, this vendor offers both the repellent and the fogging equipment.

Nixalite of America
www.nixilite.com
888-624-1189

Population Control

OvoControl Bird Contraceptive

As of 2007 this product was registered with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for Canada geese and pigeons. Registration was being sought for other birds and likely will be in place shortly. Contact the vendor for specific, up-to-date information.

Innolytics, LLC
www.hatchcontrol.com
858-759-8012

Live Traps

As discussed in chapter 6, trapping and relocating is often a poor choice and should be considered as a last resort in most situations. In the rare instances when live trapping is necessary, numerous suppliers offer traps in ranges of sizes for different-size species. In particular, and perhaps a sign of a positive trend, many retailers now offer live mouse traps. Look for them at home and hardware stores or on the Internet, shopping carefully to avoid vendors of inhumane traps. Here are a few vendors of multiple sizes of traps as well as sources for the harder-to-find live beaver traps.

Beaver Traps

Margo Supplies, Ltd.
www.margosupplies.com
403-652-1932

Tomahawk Live Trap Company
www.livetraps.com
800-272-8727

Multiple-species Traps Sold in a Range of Sizes

Animal Care Equipment and Services
(ACES)
www.animal-care.com
800-338-2237

Margo Supplies, Ltd.
www.margosupplies.com
403-652-1932

Pet Warehouse Superstore
www.petsafe-warehouse.com
407-349-2525

Tomahawk Live Trap Company
www.livetraps.com
800-272-8727



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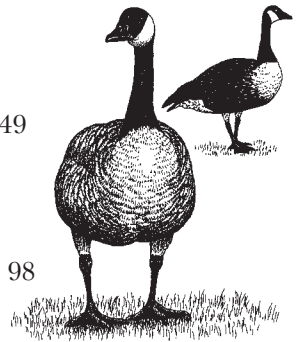
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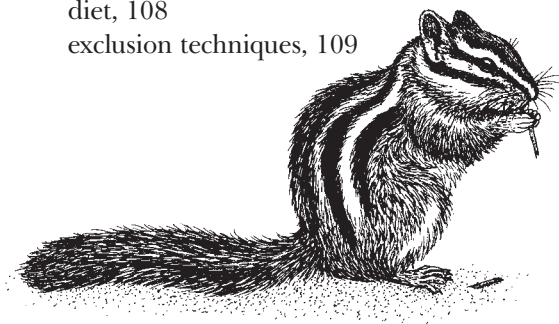
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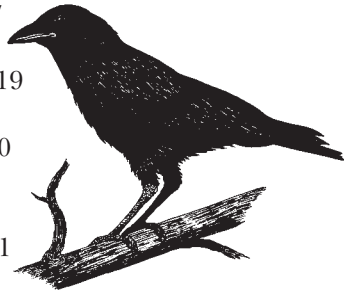
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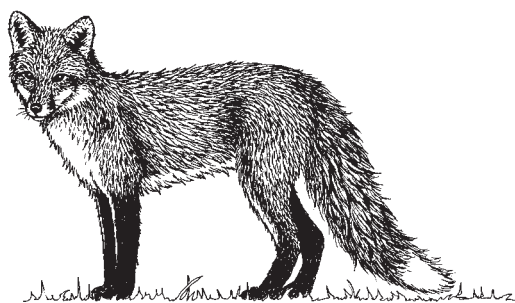
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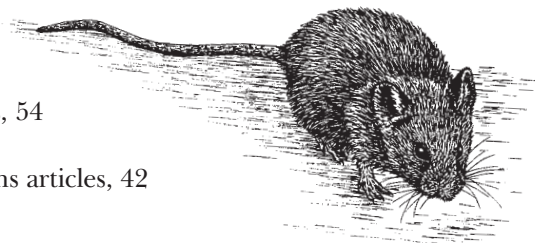
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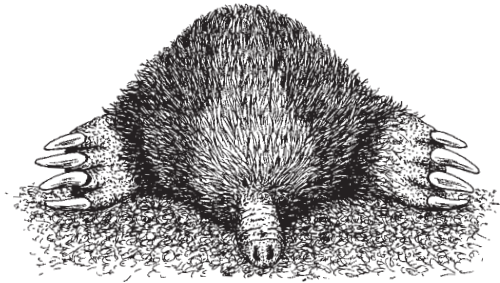
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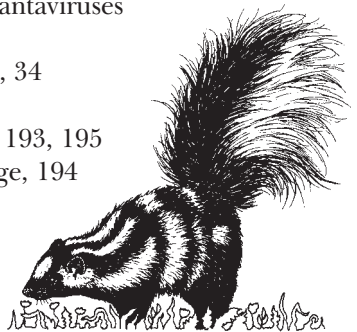
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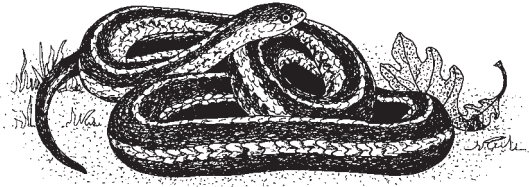
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