The Leaf Cutter Ant Prevention Guide

How to Keep Leaf Cutter Ants Off Your Property

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Leaf cutter ants can quickly damage crops, plants, and trees in the span of hours. While it can be difficult to completely stop an infestation, monitoring your property for the first signs of leaf cutter ants will help minimize the damage. Learn more about what you can do below.

STEP 1 Inspect Your Property Frequently



Spotting leaf cutter ants quickly is the best way to avoid becoming overwhelmed with an infestation. Walk around your property at least once a week and look for any mounds that may have started or any leaves that may be missing parts.

If any mounds are spotted, immediately treat with a drench or bait. See our guide on how to get rid of leaf cutter antsfor more information.

STEP 2 Improve Soil Conditions



Leaf cutter ants are attracted to well-drained soils, often found near river beds and creeks. If possible, try to prevent these bodies of water from drying. When they do dry, inspect these areas for signs of leaf cutter ants to begin treatment at the first sign of an infestation.

STEP 3 **Proper Lawn Maintenance**



Maintaining your lawn by watering, mowing, fertilizing, and applying pre-emergent herbicide treatments will help increase the lawn's health and ward off pests and weeds. Lawn Care Schedules have a month by month maintenance plan that makes it easy for homeowners to keep up their lawn care.

Know that it is extremely hard to prevent a leaf cutter ant infestation. If you have had an infestation before, the best thing you can do is monitor your property to be proactive at the first sign of a new infestation.

If you have any additional questions about what leaf cutter ants look like, where leaf cutter ants are found, and how to get rid of leaf cutter ants, give our experts a call at 866-581-7378 or email support@domyown.com.