

Guide to Retail Sources for Products to Resolve Wildlife Conflicts



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In some cases companies that purport to market ‘humane’ products are omitted because they principally manufacture and distribute products The HSUS considers inhumane. Some specific products that appear to be humane, and could potentially be so if used under exacting and rigorous circumstances, are omitted because we believe they present too great a risk to animals to be included in this appendix. In some cases, suppliers offer both lethal and non-lethal products and devices. In these instances we have judged that the value of offering information on sources for non-lethal products outweighed the inclusion of suppliers who also sell products we consider inappropriate for wildlife conflict resolution.

We know that the list is not complete; a complete list would be a long book unto itself. We have included suggestions for companies who sell readily available products as well as companies who, at the time of publication, sold less readily available or specialized products. Since the publication of the first edition of *Wild Neighbors* in 1997 and the last revision of this resource in 2001, Internet-based marketing has expanded significantly to the point that anyone with access can readily find vendors of even the most uncommon and specialized products very quickly.



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I. PRODUCTS

This section lists suppliers grouped by product category. If you know what sort of product you are looking for, check here to find out who sells it and then go to Section II for contact information.

PREVENTION AND EXCLUSION

Animal-Resistant Trash Containers

Bungee or Shock Cords—Stretched across container lids, from handle to handle, these simple inexpensive cords will keep small animals, especially raccoons, out of the trash. 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 designed to exclude animals such as raccoons, or, with modification, larger animals such as bears.

Critter Can

Bear-resistant Containers—Those containers that are marketed as “bear-proof” are sturdy metal containers with a latching lid. Plastic containers are also sold for household trash in bear country.

Bearable Trash Solutions
Bear Proof, Inc.

Bear Saver
UnBearAble Bins

Bafflers

Bafflers to prevent mammals such as raccoons and squirrels from getting into birdfeeders are the most varied and widely available products to prevent conflicts with wild animals. Look for feeders that include bafflers, or bafflers sold separately that can be fitted onto your existing feeders. Good sources include home, garden, and hardware retailers, as well as bird feeding specialty stores. Bafflers to prevent predators from robbing nests inside birdhouses are also sold by similar merchants.

Beaver Flow Devices, Beaver Deceivers, & Beaver Bafflers

These devices are used to maintain water flow through a beaver dam or prevent beaver from clogging culverts.

Beaver Culvert
Beaver Deceivers
Beaver Solutions

FSI Culvert, Inc. (check web
site or call for U.S. distributor)

Bird Wires or Roost Inhibitors

These products physically exclude birds from roosting in places they are unwelcome and include bird wire, bird spikes, bird coils, and similar devices. Small kits are sold by large catalogs 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
Bird B Gone
Birdbusters
Bird Guard

Bird-X, Inc.
Cat Claw, Inc.
Nixalite of America

Bird Window Strike Barriers

This product consists of a screen mounted on the outside of windows to prevent birds from flying into the glass.

Bird Screen Company

Bulb Cages and Gopher Baskets

Flower bulbs and other plants vulnerable to burrowing animals can be planted in wire mesh hinged cages or similar larger baskets that keep burrowers out. Pre-made gopher baskets are sold regionally where burrowers are particular prevalent. Unfortunately, most retailers who sell these humane prevention products also sell inhumane lethal traps and poisons for the same species. Shop carefully. Pre-made bulb cages may be found seasonally at bulb planting time where flower bulbs are sold. Large catalog and web retailers who mainly market products for homes and gardens also sometimes offer them.

Plant Covers

Look for cloches, row covers, and garden fabric to cover and protect young plants early in the growing season at nurseries and home and garden suppliers. Originally designed with frost protection in mind, these covers also deter small animals.

Wire Mesh, Caulking and Foam Sealants

A wide variety of these products to repair and seal up small cracks and holes where animals can get into buildings are sold by home and hardware retailers. The best wire mesh we've found for excluding animals is made of copper. It may be a little harder to find but the sources listed offer it. On the Web, try searching by the brand name "Stuf-fit" or "copper wire mesh." It is also available from some pest control suppliers who sell copper wire along with inhumane lethal traps and poisons, so be sure to shop carefully.

Cooperseeds
Nixalite of America

Rohde's Nursery & Nature

Chimney Caps

Simply capping chimneys prevents one of the most common conflicts with wild animals around home. Caps are widely available from home and hardware suppliers and from chimney sweeps.

Fencing (non-electric)

Apron or L-Shaped Fences/Barriers—Fencing with both upright and horizontal sections to keep out animals who would simply dig under regular fences. Used mainly to exclude animals from under decks, sheds, and similar places or from crawl spaces. These barriers can be home-made from hardware cloth or similar material or purchased ready-made from these vendors.

Keystone Steel & Wire Co.
(check web site or call for distributor)

Louis E. Page

Coyote Roller—A rolling bar installed on top of a fence that deters coyotes and free-ranging dogs from jumping over the fence. When animals attempt to jump a fence, the roller makes it difficult to gain the foothold they need to pull themselves up and over.

Roll Guard, Inc.

Light to medium-duty fencing—Sold mainly as deer fencing but also marketed as game, rabbit, garden, or poultry 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
Deer-Resistant Landscape
Nursery
Gardener's Supply Company
Kencove Farm Fence, Inc.

Keystone Steel & Wire Co.
(check web site or call for distributor)
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High Tensile Non-Electric Fencing—This staple of agricultural fencing uses either multiple smooth wires or woven wire installed under tension to make a strong barrier for large animals. It is widely available from farm suppliers including the following.

Kencove Farm Fence, Inc.
Keystone Steel & Wire Co.
(manufacturer; will direct retail customers to distributor)

Max-Flex Fence Systems

Temporary Non-Electric Fencing Kits (Goose Fence)—This seasonal fence to exclude geese and other waterfowl from docks and along shorelines is sold mainly by lake management firms; the following vendors offer the kit on their web sites.

Aerators Aquatics 4 Lakes N
Ponds

Lake Restoration, Inc.
Professional Lake Management

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 retailers. Use these materials to make or repair window or vent screening, make L-shaped barriers, or exclude burrowing animals from plantings among many other applications.

Netting

This versatile product can solve many wildlife conflicts, from perching birds and temporary protection for fruits and other garden crops to excluding bats from attics and protecting ornamental fishponds from predators. It is widely available from home and garden supply retailers and nurseries, especially during the planting and growing season, as well as from specialized retailers of bird and deer control products and backyard pond products year round.

One-Way Doors or Excluders

These devices that let animals out of their dens or burrows but do not let them back in are modified from live trap designs and, therefore, are sold by trap retailers. They may be offered by some pest control supply retailers who sell this humane product along with inhumane lethal traps and poisons. Shop carefully. Here are two retailers who offer excluders.

Pet Warehouse Superstore

Tomahawk Live Trap Company

Vent Covers

These covers to prevent birds and small animals from entering dryer vents and similar access points are readily available from stores, catalogs, and web retailers who sell products for homes.

Tree Protectors

These barriers to gnawing animals are sometimes sold by garden suppliers and nurseries, particularly during planting season. The following specialty vendors offer them to the public.

Tree Pro
Trequest

Treessentials

Window Well Covers

Covers prevent small animals from accidentally tumbling into window wells. Find these at home and hardware suppliers for do-it-yourselfers or have a window contractor install them.

AVERSIVE CONDITIONING

Acoustical Alarms

Shop carefully to distinguish between these effective alarms and similar looking ultrasonic products, which are 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 with these vendors.

Amtek

Margo Supplies, Ltd.

Bird Distress Calls Devices

Recording of species specific calls birds make when in distress frighten other members of the same bird species.

Bird Barrier America
Birdbusters
Bird Guard
Bird-X, Inc.

Margo Supplies, Ltd.
Nixalite of America
Pet Warehouse Superstore
Reed-Joseph International

Effigies and Scarecrows

Simple, stationary effigies and scarecrows are sold by many vendors too numerous to list here. Unfortunately they're also the least likely to work. Here are a few sources for more effective products, including predator-shaped kites to frighten birds and the U.S. distributor of an inflating human scarecrow.

Bird Barrier America
Bird-X, Inc.
Pet Warehouse Superstore

Reed-Joseph International
(U.S. distributor of inflating
scarecrow)

Electric Shock

Electric Fencing—High tensile fences are frequently electrified to exclude large wildlife species, especially deer but also bear and other predators. They are widely available from farm suppliers, including the following.

ElectroBraid Fence, Ltd.
(check web site or call for
distributor)
Gallagher Animal
Management Solutions (check
web site or call for distributor)

Kencove Farm Fence, Inc.
Max-Flex Fence Systems
Premier 1 Supplies
Zareba Systems (check web
site or call for distributor)

Electric Fencing Kits for Bears—Especially for temporary installations at camp sites or seasonal homes in bear country.

Margo Supplies, Ltd.

UDAP Industries

Electric Fencing Kits for Home Gardens and Ponds—Look for kits for small to medium-sized 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
Gardener's Supply Company

Pet Warehouse Superstore
Zareba Systems

Electric Shock Deer Posts—This is a set of posts that eliminates the need for fence wires entirely. Sold by numerous nurseries and garden suppliers and by these vendors.

Gardener's Supply Company

K & M Industries

Electric Shock Track/ Wires for Birds—These electrified tracks can be professionally installed and are similar to non-electrified bird wires.

Bird Barrier America
Bird B Gone

Birdbusters
Fi-Shock

Scare Balloons and Scare Tape

These two standbys for deterring unwelcome wild animals are widely available from home, hardware, and garden retailers, and from the vendors listed for other bird-related products.

Sprinklers

These specialty sprinklers, triggered by motion detectors, are designed to deter animals from yards and gardens. Sold by many home, hardware, and garden retailers as well as these vendors.

Bird Barrier America
Bird B Gone
Bird-X, Inc.
Gardener's Supply Company

K & M Industries
Nixalite of America
Pet Warehouse Superstore

Visual Deterrents

Strobe Lights—Some acoustical alarms (above) incorporate strobes. Inexpensive strobe lights are sold by many home gadget retailers. The following vendors sell larger, more expensive units designed to evict roosting birds or squirrels in attics.

Bird-X Inc.
Evictor Products

Pet Warehouse Superstore

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

Birdbusters
JWB Marketing

Reed-Joseph International
SEA Technology

Reflectors—These are very specific products that reflect light: Either visible light (for deer along roadways) or infrared (for birds near windows).

Strieter Corporation (deer)

WindowAlert (birds)

Vibration Deterrent Devices

These devices to scare away burrowing animals with intermittent in-ground vibrations are widely sold by home and garden retailers, including the following.

Gardener's Supply Company
Pet Warehouse Superstore

Tower International

CHEMICAL REPELLENTS

Repellents, especially deer repellents, are widely available from garden supplies stores, plant nurseries, home and hardware stores, catalogs, and web retailers. Shop carefully to distinguish predator urine from other products as they are frequently sold together with similar labeling and marketing claims. The HSUS strongly urges consumer not to buy or use repellents made from predators' urine. Naturally wide-ranging predators are held captive to supply this product, often as a sideline to increase profits from fur production until the animals are killed for their fur. Predator urine products may deter one animal from your home or garden but at the expense of another animal's suffering. Listed here are sources for a few repellents that are less easy to find.

Anthraquinone Goose Repellent

SePRO Corporation (check web site or call for referral to local applicator)

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

Pepper sprays—While pepper sprays can be important protection against bears in some limited circumstances, they should not replace ordinary common sense measures to avoid danger. Look for these sprays where outdoors equipment is sold, especially in the Western U.S., Canada, and particularly in Alaska, or from these vendors.

Counter Assault
Mace Security International
Margo Supplies, Ltd.

McNeil River Enterprises, Inc.
UDAP Industries

LIVE TRAPS

Trapping and relocating is often a poor choice and should be considered 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-sized species. In particular, and perhaps a sign of a positive trend, so many retailers now offer live mouse traps that such a listing would run several pages. 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 Suppliers, Ltd.

Tomahawk Live Trap

Multiple species traps (sold in a range of sizes)

Animal Care Equipment &

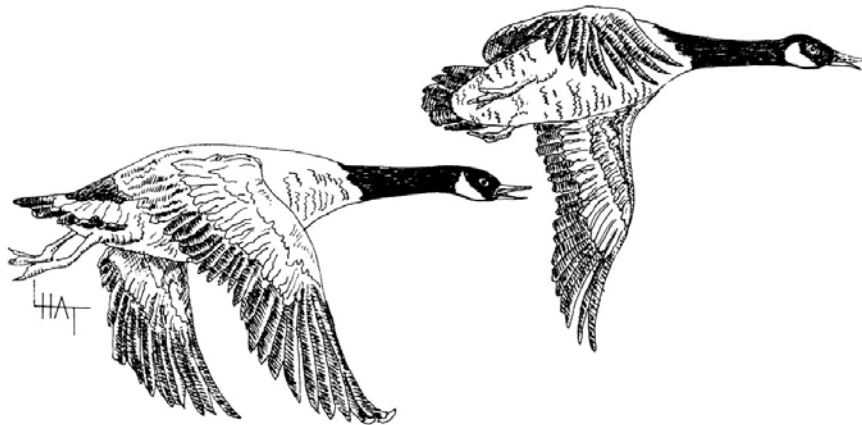
Services (ACES)

H. B. Sherman Traps, Inc.

Margo Suppliers, Ltd.

Pet Warehouse Superstore

Tomahawk Live Trap



II. CONTACT INFORMATION

Aerators Aquatics 4 Lakes N Ponds
757/591-8780
www.aeratorsaquatics4landsnponds.com

Amtek
800/762-7618
www.amtekpet.com

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

Bear Proof, Inc.
970/309-2460
www.bearproofinc.com

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

Bearable Trash Solutions
973/694-7467
www.bearproofing.com

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

Beaver Culvert
780/963-8311
www.beaverculvert.com
(check web site or call for retail distributors)

Beaver Deceivers
802/843-1017

Beaver Solutions
413/585-9145
www.beaversolutions.com

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

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

Birdbusters
800/662-4737
www.birdbusters.com

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

Bird Screen Company
717/445-9609
www.birdscreen.com

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

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

Cooperseeds
877/463-6697
www.cooperseeds.com

Counter Assault
800/695-3394
www.counterassault.com

Critter Can
800/914-4771
www.crittercan.org

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

ElectroBraid Fence Ltd.
888/430-3330
www.electrobraid.com

Evictor Products
www.squirrelelvictor.com

Fi-Shock, Inc.
800/251-9288
www.fishock.com

FSI Culvert, Inc.
800/565-1152 (Western Canada)
888/282-9334 (Central Canada)
www.fsiculvert.com/BeaverStop.htm

Gallagher Animal Management Solutions
800/531-5908
www.gallagherusa.com

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

H. B. Sherman Traps
850/575-8727
www.shermantraps.com

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

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

Keystone Steel & Wire Co.
800/447-6444
www.redbrand.com

K & M Industries
503/233-3325
www.km01.com

Lake Restoration, Inc.
877/428-8898
lakerestoration.com

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

Mace Security International
800/255-2634 ext.205
www.macebrand.com

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

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

McNeil River Enterprises, Inc.
907/346-4999
www.guardalaska.com

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

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

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

Professional Lake Management
800/382-4434
www.prolakemgt.com

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

Rohde's Nursery & Nature Store
800/864-4445
www.beorganic.com

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

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

SePRO Corporation
877/554-3373
www.flightcontrol.com

Strieter Corporation
309/794-9800
www.strieter-lite.com

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

Tower International
800/955-8352
www.molechaser.com

Tree Pro
800/875-8071
www.treepro.com

Treerequest
www.treerequest.com

Treessentials Company
800/248-8239
www.growtubes.com

UDAP Industries
800/232-7941
www.udap.com

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

WindowAlert
800/773-2753
www.windowalert.com

Zareba Systems
800/272-9877
www.zarebasystems.com



BLACK BEAR - SHANE DIMMICK