

Roundup[®] Alternatives



When it comes to gardening, **Roundup[®] Weed Killer** is a popular choice among homeowners and landscapers alike.

While this herbicide is very effective at killing and controlling weeds, it contains a dangerous chemical known as **glyphosate** which has been cited by the **World Health Organization** to likely cause cancer.

Fortunately, there are safer alternatives to **Roundup[®]** that do not include harmful chemicals and have proven effective at helping to eliminate weeds.

Herbicidal Vinegar (Acetic Acid)

Pros

- ✓ Kills over 90% of treated plants within 24 hours
- ✓ Breaks down quickly in the environment
- ✓ Useful for weeds present in gravel or sidewalks



Cons

- ✗ Does not kill roots; often requires repeated use
- ✗ Kills or damages any plants it touches
- ✗ Application must be delayed at least 24 hours after rain in order to be effective

Acetic acid, commonly known as vinegar, impacts the membranes of plants causing the foliage tissue to break down. Compared to regular acetic acid, herbicidal vinegar is two to four times more concentrated.

BioSafe[®] Weed Control

Pros

- ✓ Will not move through soil to harm other plants
- ✓ Does not hinder future growth of plants
- ✓ Burns down a broad spectrum of plants



Cons

- ✗ More expensive than other alternatives
- ✗ Some people report an unpleasant smell
- ✗ May require more than one treatment

BioSafe[®] Weed Control Concentrate was created with the goal of providing a weed control solution that does not use harmful chemicals in order to protect both people and the environment.

Avenger[®] Weed Killer

Pros

- ✓ Faster-acting than leading synthetic herbicides
- ✓ More effective than non-organic 'natural' herbicides that contain vinegar, citric acid, clove oil, or soap



Cons

- ✗ Multiple applications may be required
- ✗ More expensive than some other herbicides
- ✗ Ineffective if used while raining or if sprayed one hour before rain is expected

The active ingredient in **Avenger[®] Weed Killer**, d-limonene (citrus oil), naturally strips away the plant's cuticle, causing dehydration and subsequent death.

Weed Slayer[®] Organic Herbicide

Pros

- ✓ Decomposes plants from the inside out
- ✓ Kills roots, not just what is visible on the surface
- ✓ Organic-certified and recognized by the CDFA



Cons

- ✗ Takes about one week to start working
- ✗ For maximum effectiveness, the product needs to be applied within 30 minutes after being mixed

Weed Slayer[®] Organic Herbicide is a non-selective, broad-spectrum organic herbicide made from Eugenol, an essential oil of clove.

"DIY" Weed Killer

Pros

- ✓ You know exactly what is in your mixture
- ✓ Far less expensive than other options



Cons

- ✗ Not as potent as store bought solutions
- ✗ Multiple treatments may be necessary

If you want to know exactly what goes into your weed killer, you can "do it yourself" and make your own. Combine **1 gallon distilled white vinegar (5%)**, **1 cup Epsom salt**, and **1/4 cup dish soap** together and spray it on your weeds.

No matter when you weed this spring or summer, the most important thing that you can do is to protect yourself.

Give one of these **Roundup[®]** alternatives a try. You can still get the job done without sacrificing your health or the health of others.

Thousands of individuals across the United States have filed lawsuits against Monsanto, the manufacturer of Roundup[®], and more people are joining the litigation each day.

If you have used or been exposed to Roundup[®] Weed Killer and have subsequently been diagnosed with Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma or Leukemia, you may be entitled to significant compensation.

It is very important to consult with an experienced lawyer who can help you understand your legal options. Time to file a claim may be limited, so call **Henson Fuerst** today at **1-800-396-3300**.

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