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Control ticks, don't let them control you.

Did you know that ticks are most active at the beginning of fall? Those who study and treat Lyme disease say that most tick bites, perhaps as high as 90%, occur in one's own yard. So reducing the tick population on the property surrounding your home is your best defense against tick-borne illnesses for you, your family and your pets.

Ticks live in the damp and humid areas of your yard, such as stone walls, overgrown gardens as well as wood and brush piles. General fall clean-up (clearing brush piles and weeding gardens) will help give them fewer places to hide, but The Care of Trees offers a safe and ecologically-friendly tick suppression program to keep your loved ones protected. Ask your arborist more about this program.

Although the prospect of contracting Lyme disease or other tick-borne illnesses is a concern to us all, there is no need to avoid the woods or outdoors. You can still enjoy a healthy outdoor lifestyle as long as you know how to properly take preventative measures against these diseases.

Enjoy the outdoors. Call your certified arborist today to schedule a consultation. Don't let ticks drive you indoors.

The Care of Trees offers these tips to help reduce your tick population:

Pruning - Ticks are extremely susceptible to dehydration. We can help to reduce humidity on your property by pruning your trees and shrubs, resulting in improved light and air circulation within the canopy of the tree.

Fencing - Construct physical barriers to deter deer from entering your property. Deer repellent sprays may also be applied onto the plantings around your home to keep deer away. Consult with your certified arborist at The Care of Trees regarding this service.

Yard Planning - Make your property less attractive to other tick-hosting animals by moving bird feeders and bird baths away from areas frequented by people.



(left to right)
Adult male and female ticks shown with nymph (top right) and larva stage ticks (top left); a breeding ground for ticks - a dense forest floor.

