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## Start Now: Control Mosquitos Through Your Landscape

**Mosquitos are not only a nuisance but can also pose health risks by transmitting diseases such as West Nile virus and Zika. Fortunately, your landscape design choices can play a significant role in controlling mosquito populations around your home.** By understanding the habits of mosquitos and making strategic adjustments to your yard, you can create an environment that is less hospitable to these pests.

### Eliminate Standing Water

Mosquitos lay their eggs in standing water, so the most effective way to reduce their numbers is to eliminate all sources of stagnant water in your landscape. Regularly empty birdbaths, plant saucers, and any containers that can collect rainwater. Ensure gutters are clean and draining properly, and fill in low spots in your yard where puddles may form after rain.

### Choose Water Features Wisely

If you enjoy having water features in your garden, consider installing fountains, waterfalls, or ponds with moving water. Mosquitos prefer still water for breeding, so features that keep water in motion can deter them. Adding fish to ponds can also help, as they feed on mosquito larvae.

## Properties of the Month: MARCH

North Glynn Rec Complex  
*Golden Isles*



Miro Apartments  
*Savannah*



Hayden Pointe  
*South*



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is selected by the Branch  
Manager according to  
the crew's monthly  
Quality Control report.*



### Select Mosquito-Repellent Plants

Certain plants are known to repel mosquitos naturally. Incorporate plants such as citronella, lavender, marigolds, and basil into your planting beds and near outdoor seating areas. While these plants alone won't eliminate mosquitos, they can help reduce their presence when used as part of a comprehensive approach.

### Maintain Your Landscape

Keep your turf mowed and trim shrubs and trees regularly. Dense vegetation provides shade and shelter for adult mosquitos during the day. By reducing overgrown areas, you remove hiding spots and make your property less attractive to these pests.

### Use Mulch Carefully

While mulch helps retain soil moisture and suppress weeds, it can also provide a damp environment that is appealing to mosquitos. Apply mulch in moderation and make sure not to place it directly against your building's foundation or in spots where moisture tends to build up.

### Encourage Natural Predators

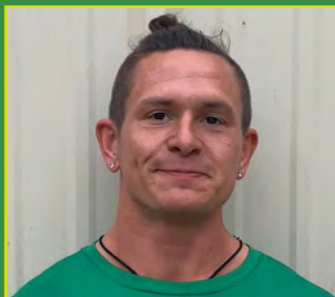
Attracting birds, bats, and beneficial insects to your property can help keep mosquito populations in check. Install birdhouses or bat boxes and plant a variety of flowering plants to support pollinators and predatory insects like dragonflies, which feed on mosquitos and their larvae.

**By thoughtfully designing and maintaining your landscape, you can create an outdoor space that is both beautiful and less inviting to mosquitos.** Combining strategies such as removing standing water, planting repellent species, and encouraging natural predators will go a long way in reducing the mosquito population and making your property a more enjoyable place to be.



## Team Members of the Month: MARCH

**Joshua Pendley**  
*Golden Isles*



**Andrew Jones**  
*Savannah*



**Devonta Brantley**  
*South*



*These team members display our core values (Responsive, Ownership, Observant, Trusted, Skillful) in all that they do while working, have excellent attendance, and are constantly trying to improve themselves.*



# Natural Solutions for a Mosquito-Free Environment

**Mosquitoes are not only annoying but can also carry diseases, making them unwelcome visitors in our homes and gardens.** While there are many chemical repellents on the market, some people prefer natural solutions to keep these pests at bay. Fortunately, several plants have been found to naturally repel mosquitoes, offering a greener and often more pleasant-smelling alternative.



## 1. Citronella

Citronella is perhaps the most well-known mosquito-repellent plant. Its strong lemony scent masks other attractants, making it difficult for mosquitoes to find their targets. Citronella can be grown in pots or directly in the garden, and its oil is commonly used in candles and sprays.

## 2. Lavender

Lavender's fragrant purple flowers are not only beautiful but also effective in repelling mosquitoes. The scent is unpleasant to many insects, including mosquitoes. Planting lavender along walkways or near doorways can help create a protective barrier.



## 3. Marigold



Marigolds contain pyrethrum, a compound used in many insect repellents. Their bright flowers add color to gardens while helping to keep mosquitoes and other pests away. Marigolds are easy to grow and can be planted around vegetable gardens or outdoor seating areas.

## 4. Basil

Basil is a popular culinary herb that also has mosquito-repelling properties. Its strong aroma is effective at deterring mosquitoes, and it's a great addition to any herb garden. Keeping pots of basil on windowsills or patios can help reduce mosquito activity.



## 5. Catnip

Catnip, famous for its effects on cats, is also highly effective at repelling mosquitoes. Studies have shown that catnip is even more effective than some commercial repellents. It can be grown easily in most gardens but be aware that neighborhood cats may be drawn to it.

## A Note from JJ: *Growing Properties & People*

As March arrives along our coastal communities, you can start to see the landscape waking up. Longer days, warmer temperatures, and new growth remind us that spring is right around the corner. For our team at Coastal Greenery, this season always brings a renewed sense of energy and purpose.

While we take great pride in delivering exceptional commercial landscape services across South Carolina, Georgia, and North Florida, what truly drives our company is **people**. Our mission has always been about more than plants, turf, and beautiful properties. It's about **growing people while serving others well**.

Over the years, I've learned that when you invest in people—your team, your vendors, and your clients—great things happen. Our team members grow in their skills and leadership, our clients receive consistent and dependable service, and together we create landscapes that positively impact the communities where we live and work.

That philosophy is what has allowed Coastal Greenery to thrive for more than 30 years. We are grateful for the trust you place in us to care for your properties and represent your communities. Your partnership allows us to do work we are proud of every single day.

As the season begins to pick up, please know that our team is committed to delivering the professionalism, responsiveness, and quality you expect from us. Thank you for being part of the Coastal Greenery family and for allowing us to serve you.

I'm grateful for the relationships we share and look forward to another great season together.

*Jeffrey Johns, President, Coastal Greenery Landscaping*



## Your Licensed Professionals Deliver Value.

**As in any profession, it's important that we know our job. With hundreds of plant varieties, insects and diseases, professional knowledge means more professional results.** You may not realize that most professional lawn technicians and applicators must meet special training and testing requirements from the EPA and state in order to be licensed or certified to work with your lawn or landscape. Then, for certification to be maintained, on-going education and training must continue every year.

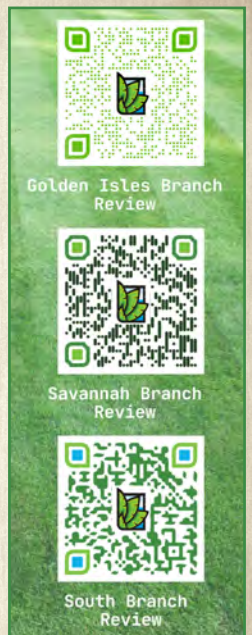
Before we work on your lawn, you can be sure we not only know what we're doing, but how to do it best.

This means better results and fewer problems for you when you employ only carefully trained and certified professionals to work on your lawn and landscape.

**Count on us for care that's our professional best... for you and for the earth we all share!**

*Our team appreciates your feedback and support!*

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