



Pests in Houses Great & Small

Identification, Prevention, Eradication

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- Exclusively written for English Heritage: an invaluable guide for households and professionals managing historic houses and collections
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Pests can be damaging, annoying or even dangerous, causing untold damage to treasured possessions and even the structure of buildings themselves. This English Heritage guide focuses on these destructive pests and includes:

- Clear photography to aid identification of pest species
- Practical pest management strategies
- A cutaway drawing of an infested house to locate pest trouble spots
- Information about new pest species found in the UK
- Case studies from various English Heritage properties
- An action checklist

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The handbook includes: clothes and house moths, carpet beetles, wood-boring insects, other damp-loving pests, detritus feeders and scavengers, new and other invertebrate invaders, flies, rodents and birds.

David Pinniger's passion for insects started as a boy when he helped his amateur entomologist father catch, identify and release dragonflies. He started work as a food inspector with the Ministry of Agriculture Fisheries and Food (MAFF) and then as a research scientist for the MAFF Central Science Laboratory in Slough. In 1996 he became an independent consultant providing specialist advice and training on pests in museums, galleries, archives and historic houses. He is the pest management strategy adviser for English Heritage and advises many national museums, galleries and historic houses in the UK. David is a Fellow of the Royal Entomological Society. He was awarded the 2008 Plowden Medal for his contribution to preventive conservation and received an MBE in the Queen's 2008 Birthday Honours list. **Dee Lauder** has worked for English Heritage since March 1989. She joined the Collections Conservation Team in 2001 and in 2003 was appointed to lead the delivery of English Heritage's Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Programme and IPM standards. Dee's role involves implementing control methods for sites with collections, as well as giving advice on insect pest identification, monitoring and treatment methods appropriate for significant and historic collections. She also undertakes training in these areas for English Heritage staff. In addition, she provides IPM advice to organisations and individuals outside English Heritage and is a member of the Pest Odyssey UK Steering Committee, a non-profit organisation advocating IPM in cultural heritage institutions.

